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# MINUTES.

## ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MONTGOMERY, ALA., *December 12-18, 1877.*

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; R. B. CRAWFORD, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. Claudius L. Chilton, Robert N. Ledbetter, Henry C. Holleman, Jas. K. Powell, Isaac F. Bilbro. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Chas. B. Pilley, J. W. Menefee, John Wesley, E. E. Cowan, D. H. Carmichael. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? W. H. Hasty, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Gilbert M. Roper, Jas. B. Anderson, Joseph C. Johnson, Bascom C. Glenn, Walter P. Dickinson, Orion S. Perry, Howell M. Moss, John R. Peavy. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Felix R. Hill, A. J. Coleman, Julien C. Brown. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? John O. Keener, R. S. Holcombe, C. H. Kelley, J. M. Crews, Ritchie J. Briggs, J. P. Sanders, James S. Rencher, Andrew J. Lamar, W. D. Owens, Wade H. Weatherly, F. M. Peterson, Ransom A. Miears. 12.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? G. M. Roper, James B. Anderson, Joseph C. Johnson, Bascom C. Glenn, Walter P. Dickinson, Orion S. Perry, John R. Peavey. 7.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? G. M. Roper, James B. Anderson, Joseph C. Johnson, Bascom C. Glenn, Walter P. Dickinson, Orion S. Perry, John R. Peavey. 7.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? W. H. Jennings, Isaac F. Bilbro, Jesse P. Chapman. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? J. E. D. Braswell, Isaac F. Bilbro, Jackson L. Smilie. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? L. C. Calhoun, G. Waverly Briggs, William A. Rice, John A. Green, Thomas Y. Abernathy, Joshua S. Peavey. 6.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Leander C. Calhoun, G. Waverly Briggs, William A. Rice, John A. Green, Thomas Y. Abernathy, Joshua S. Peavey. 6.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Julien C. Brown, W. S. Turner, at their own request. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Ransom A. Miears, J. H. Lockhart. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. T. Roper, Z. Dowling, E. W. Storey, J. W. Jordan, H. J. Hunter, T. S. Abernathy, F. L. B. Shaver, I. I. Tatum, J. T. Tally, A. S. Dickinson, W. B. Adams, C. Strider. 12.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

### Mobile District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
St. Francis Street.....	389	.....	2
Franklin Street.....	365	.....	.....
Toulminville.....	263	.....	2
St. Paul's.....	237	.....	1
Eastern Shore.....	70	.....	.....
Grand Bay Mission.....	60	.....	2
Whistler Station.....	170	.....	3
Citronelle Circuit.....	214	.....	1
St. Stephen's Circuit.....	349	.....	1
Pensacola Station.....	156	.....	1
Warrington.....	94	.....	1
Milton Station.....	108	.....	.....
Yellow River Mission.....	90	.....	.....
Pollard Circuit.....	330	.....	4
Black Water Mission.....	331	.....	7
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	223	.....	2
Bladen Springs.....	320	.....	2
Oaktuppa.....	130	.....	2
	3899	.....	31

### Greensboro District.

Greensboro District.....	168	.....	4
Demopolis.....	85	.....	.....
Livingston.....	66	.....	1
Newbern.....	190	.....	2
Belmont.....	190	.....	1
Gaston.....	342	.....	.....
Cuba.....	184	.....	3
Butler.....	496	.....	2
Forkland.....	84	.....	.....

## Alabama Conference, 1877.

## Greensboro District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Gainesville.....	185	2	.....
Eutaw.....	54	.....	1
Greene.....	240	.....	4
Havana.....	544	.....	2
	2828	2	20

## Selma District.

Selma.....	250	.....	.....
East Selma.....	80	.....	1
Summerfield.....	107	.....	1
Plantersville.....	60	.....	1
Ocmulgee Mission.....	105	.....	1
Uniontown and Cedar Grove.....	137	.....	.....
Spring Hill.....	216	.....	1
Orrville.....	230	.....	.....
Rembert Hills.....	363	4	2
Choctaw Corner.....	239	.....	3
Independence.....	187	.....	.....
Peach-tree.....	315	.....	1
Suggsville.....	169	3	.....
Grove Hill.....	415	.....	3
Marion.....	150	.....	.....
Brush Creek.....	240	.....	3
	3263	7	17

## Montgomery District.

Montgomery Station.....	518	.....	2
Wetumpka Station.....	43	.....	.....
Elmore Circuit.....	577	.....	6
Tallassee Circuit.....	524	.....	10
Loachapoka Circuit.....	251	.....	2
Tuskegee Station.....	260	.....	8
Tuskegee Circuit.....	387	.....	8
Auburn Station.....	202	.....	1
Opelika Station.....	350	.....	3
Salem Circuit.....	464	.....	4
Crawford Circuit.....	466	.....	.....
Hurtville Circuit.....	238	.....	1
	4280	.....	45

## Prattville District.

Prattville Station.....	227	.....	1
Antaugaville Circuit.....	280	.....	1
Lowndesboro.....	98	.....	.....
Randolph Circuit.....	446	.....	.....
Centerville Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Clanton Circuit.....	372	.....	.....
Verbena Circuit.....	385	1	4
Pleasant Hill Circuit.....	146	.....	.....
Monterey Circuit.....	338	.....	2
Sepulga Circuit.....	535	.....	1
Groville Mission.....	72	.....	.....
Camden Circuit.....	233	.....	2
Bell's Landing Circuit.....	249	3	.....
Monroeville Circuit.....	285	.....	1
Georgiana Circuit.....	432	.....	2
Garland Mission.....	136	.....	4
Evergreen Circuit.....	309	.....	3
Brewton Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
	4543	4	21

## Union Springs District.

Union Springs Station.....	164	.....	.....
Union Circuit.....	385	.....	1
Gilmer Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Pine Level Circuit.....	213	.....	.....
Rocky Mount Circuit.....	463	1	4
Fort Deposit Circuit.....	178	.....	1
Greenville Station.....	260	.....	1
Greenville Circuit.....	432	3	3
Rutledge Circuit.....	712	1	1
Oakey Streak.....	205	1	.....
Troy and Brundidge.....	290	.....	.....
Troy Circuit.....	316	.....	3
Briar Hill Circuit.....	220	.....	1
	3898	6	15

## Eufaula District.

Eufaula Station.....	268	.....	4
Glenville Station.....	80	.....	2
Vitula Circuit.....	267	.....	2

## Eufaula District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Boulah Circuit.....	177	.....	.....
Enon and Midway.....	224	.....	1
Perote Circuit.....	319	.....	2
Clayton and Louisville.....	223	.....	2
Henry Circuit.....	442	.....	1
White Pond Circuit.....	540	.....	2
Pea River Circuit.....	266	.....	.....
Ozark Circuit.....	773	.....	6
Newton Circuit.....	908	.....	7
Columbia Circuit.....	340	.....	3
	4827	.....	32

## Mariana District.

Mariana Station.....	66	.....	.....
Greenwood Circuit.....	282	.....	1
Holmes Valley Circuit.....	324	1	2
Calhoun Circuit.....	256	6	3
Geneva Circuit.....	256	.....	5
Big Creek Circuit.....	365	.....	.....
Cerro Gordo Mission.....	203	6	5
Freeport and Walton.....	173	.....	.....
	1925	13	16

## Recapitulation.

Mobile District.....	3899	.....	31
Greensboro ".....	2828	2	20
Selma ".....	3263	7	17
Prattville ".....	4543	4	21
Montgomery ".....	4280	.....	45
Eufaula ".....	4827	.....	32
Union Springs ".....	3898	6	15
Mariana ".....	1925	13	16
Total this year.....	29,463	32	197
Total last year.....	29,166	18	204
Increase.....	297	14	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	7

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,166.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,297.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 357.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,148.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 14,210.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6,500.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$4,239.12. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? \$5,822.65.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Mobile.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## MOBILE DISTRICT.

S. H. Cox, P. E.

St. Francis Street, F. R. Hill.

Franklin Street, E. Wadsworth.

Toulminville, Claude L. Chilton.

St. Paul's, J. O. Andrew.

Eastern Shore Mission, R. N. Ledbetter.

Perdido Mission, to be supplied.

Grand Bay Mission, W. M. Winn.

Whistler Station, W. S. Wade.

Citronelle Circuit, G. M. Roper.  
 St. Stephen's Circuit, W. Hargrave Morris.  
 Pensacola, P. H. Lightfoot.  
 Warrington, J. H. James.  
 Milton, E. P. Birch.  
 Yellow River Mission, to be supplied (by B. F. Marshall).  
 Pollard Circuit, J. C. Johnson.  
 Powelton Circuit, W. P. Dickinson.  
 Stockton Circuit, A. J. Coleman.  
 Bladon Springs Circuit, W. H. Wild.  
 Oaktuppa Circuit, H. C. Holleman.

## GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

*A. H. Mitchell, P. E.*

Greensboro, J. Lewis, Jr.  
 Demopolis, C. R. Williamson.  
 Livingston, J. A. Peterson.  
 Newbern Circuit, B. F. Blow.  
 Belmont Circuit, J. W. McCann.  
 Gaston Circuit, A. Hood.  
 Cuba Circuit, J. M. Patton.  
 Butler Circuit, H. M. Moss.  
 Forkland Circuit, D. J. Wright.  
 Gainesville Circuit, C. B. DuBose.  
 Eutaw, I. F. Bilbro.  
 Green Circuit, John M. Brown.  
 Havana Circuit, J. S. Moore.  
 Southern University, I. S. Hopkins, Professor;  
 F. M. Peterson, Principal Prep. Dept.; W.  
 I. Powers, Agent.  
 T. O. Summers, Editor of Books and Nashville  
*Christian Advocate.*

## SELMA DISTRICT.

*J. W. Rush, P. E.*

Selma, W. M. Motley.  
 East Selma, W. A. Rice.  
 Summerfield, R. S. Holcombe.  
 Ocmulgee Mission, to be supplied.  
 Uniontown, E. W. Solomon.  
 McKinley Circuit, to be supplied.  
 Orrville Circuit, J. W. Shores.  
 Rembert Hills Circuit, Ed. E. Cowan.  
 Choctaw Corner Circuit, W. W. Graham.  
 Independence Circuit, T. Y. Abernethy.  
 Peach-tree Circuit, George F. Ellis.  
 Suggsville Circuit, B. D. Gayle.  
 Grove Hill Circuit, B. C. Glenn.  
 Marion, J. M. Mason.  
 Brush Creek Circuit, W. H. McDaniel.  
 Spring Hill Circuit, G. Hawkins.  
 Centenary Institute, A. D. McVoy, President.  
 Centenary Male Institute, R. S. Holcombe,  
 Principal.

## PRATTVILLE CIRCUIT.

*T. F. Mangum, P. E.*

Prattville, W. A. McCarty.  
 Robinson Springs Circuit, D. H. Carmichael.  
 Autaugaville Circuit, Neil Gillis.  
 Lowndesboro Circuit, J. S. Rencher.  
 Clanton and Verbena, G. W. Briggs.  
 Pleasant Hill Circuit, J. M. Crews.

Evergreen Circuit, John S. Frazer.  
 Brooklyn Mission, J. W. Menefee.  
 Bell's Landing Circuit, J. S. Peavey.  
 Pine-apple Circuit, A. C. Hundley.  
 Georgiana Circuit, J. L. Skipper.  
 Gravilla Mission, M. M. Graham.  
 Monterey Circuit, J. M. Scott.  
 Sepulga Circuit, Robert Smilie.  
 Monroeville Circuit, to be supplied (by H. W. Leslie).  
 Randolph Circuit, J. B. Anderson; R. A. Mears, Sup.  
 Newtown Academy, W. A. Montgomery, Principal.

## MONTGOMERY DISTRICT.

*M. S. Andrews, P. E.*

Montgomery, A. S. Andrews.  
 Wetumpka, John O. Keener.  
 Elmore Circuit, W. P. H. Connerly.  
 Tallassee and Tabitha Chapel, J. R. Peavey.  
 Songahatchie Mission, to be supplied (by B. H. Reynolds).  
 Loachapoko Circuit, Lewis L. Dowdell.  
 Tuskegee, E. L. Loveless.  
 Tuskegee Circuit, D. M. Hudson.  
 Auburn, J. E. Foust.  
 Opelika, R. B. Crawford.  
 Salem Circuit, W. B. Neal; J. H. Lockhart, Sup.  
 Crawford Circuit, C. S. Hurt.  
 Hurtville, W. K. Norton.  
 Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical College,  
 B. B. Ross, Professor.  
 American Bible Society, T. J. Rutledge, Superintendent.  
 Auburn Female College, H. Urquhart.

## EUFULA DISTRICT.

*H. D. Moore, P. E.*

Eufaula, J. Bancroft.  
 Glenville, W. H. Ellison.  
 Villula Circuit, J. W. Solomon.  
 Beulah Circuit, D. C. Crook.  
 Enon and Midway, J. S. Williams.  
 Perote Circuit, J. L. Mathison.  
 Clayton and Louisville, A. Dowling.  
 Henry Circuit, H. M. Gillis.  
 White Pond Circuit, J. K. Powell.  
 Pea River Circuit, W. H. Weatherby.  
 Ozark Circuit, E. M. Turner.  
 Newton Circuit, F. H. Wardlaw.  
 Columbia Circuit, C. B. Pilley.

## UNION SPRINGS DISTRICT.

*O. R. Blue, P. E.*

Union Springs, J. W. Glenn.  
 Union Circuit, S. A. Pilley.  
 Gilmer Mission, M. C. Turrentine.  
 Pine Level Circuit, B. L. Selman.  
 Rocky Mount Circuit, L. Patterson.  
 Fort Deposit Circuit, A. J. Lamar.  
 Greenville, A. J. Briggs.  
 Rutledge Circuit, W. D. Owens.  
 Oaky Streak Circuit, to be supplied.  
 Troy, J. Barker.  
 Brundidge Circuit, O. S. Perry.

Greenville Circuit, W. H. Morris.  
Greenville Collegiate Institute, M. E. Butt,  
Principal.  
American Bible Society, A. M. Jones, Colpor-  
teur.

# MARIANA DISTRICT.

*E. Phillips, P. E.*

Mariana, C. H. Kelley.  
Greenwood Circuit, J. P. Sanders.

Holmes Valley Circuit, D. C. Standley.  
Calhoun Circuit, J. A. Green.  
Geneva Circuit, to be supplied (by J. A. Spear).  
Big Creek Circuit, J. Wesley.  
Cerro Gordo Mission, to be supplied.  
Freeport and Walton, L. C. Calhoun.

Preston G. Nash transferred to the Virginia  
Conference, and chaplain in the U. S. Army.

## ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT FAYETTEVILLE, ARK., October 17-22, 1877.

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; ISHAM L. BURROW, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. Martin L. Williams, John L. Wyche,  
John E. Dunaway, William H. W. Burns, Jesse  
L. Massey, William Cobb Brodie, Michael  
Marty. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Peter H.  
Trone, William H. Metheny, James L. Keener,  
John M. Haynes, Thomas R. Nichols, Carroll  
W. Myatt. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-  
tion? Ambrose H. Williams, David C. Sum-  
mers, P. Basham Summers, James P. Caldwell,  
Vincent V. Harlan. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Joseph P.  
Calloway. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from  
other Conferences? Vincent V. Harlan, Will-  
iam J. Wood, John T. McLaughlin, John N.  
Handlin. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?  
Benjamin L. Ferguson, H. C. Jolly, Lucius J.  
Lasley, Thomas E. Seawell. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected  
deacons? Ambrose H. Williams, David C. Sum-  
mers, P. Basham Summers, James P. Caldwell,  
Vincent V. Harlan. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are or-  
dained deacons? Ambrose H. Williams, Da-  
vid C. Summers, P. Basham Summers, James  
P. Caldwell, Vincent V. Harlan. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected  
deacons? Preston B. Hopkins, John W. Pow-  
ell, William R. Sampson, Martin B. Havner,  
George Bradley, Joseph M. Floyd, James C.  
Bradshaw, John Rogers, Jesse L. Lassey, Hen-  
ry Hardy, Robert W. Goudelock. 11.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained  
deacons? Preston B. Hopkins, William R.  
Sampson, Robert W. Goudelock, Franklin  
Thomas, Charles Duncan, Jesse L. Massey. 6.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elect-

ed elders? Nathan E. Fair, James E. Martin.  
2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are or-  
dained elders? Nathan E. Fair, James E. Mar-  
tin. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected  
elders? Alexander Black, William E. Whit-  
tenburg, Stephen I. Harrison, John W. Maddox,  
James E. McCall, Hervy P. Shaw, John W.  
Huffaker, Walter W. Weir. 8.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained  
elders? Alexander Black, William E. Whit-  
tenburg, Stephen I. Harrison. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? F. M.  
Paine, S. A. Mason, C. H. Gregory. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? David  
Sturdy, J. W. Shook, G. W. Evans, Eli C. Jones,  
H. R. Withers. 5.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? John M.  
Bewley, Jesse Griffin. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during  
the past year? George Pledger, of the class of  
the second year. (No memoir.)

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in  
their life and official administration? Their  
names were called over, one by one, and their  
characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preach-  
ers and members in the several circuits, stations,  
and missions of the Conference? Local preach-  
ers, 177. Members—white, 12,088; colored, 10.  
Total, 12,098. (No details.)

Ques. 22. How many infants have been bap-  
tized during the year? 329.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been bap-  
tized during the year? 850.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-  
schools? 113.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-  
school teachers? 667.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-  
school scholars? 4,473.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$779.55.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$623.85. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? For Foreign Missions, \$964; Domestic Missions, \$256.25. Total, \$1,220.25.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Russellville, Pope county, Arkansas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

*J. A. Walden, P. E.*

Fayetteville, R. S. Hunter.

Fayetteville Circuit, J. F. Hall; J. W. Shook, Sup.

Viney Grove Circuit, W. J. Stone.

Bentonville Circuit, B. H. Greathouse.

Center Point Circuit, P. H. Trone; D. Sturdy, Sup.

Blomfield Circuit, P. B. Summers.

White River Circuit, to be supplied (by I. N. Pace).

Huntsville Circuit, C. W. Myatt.

Boonsboro Circuit, T. F. Brewer; W. E. Whittenburg, Sup.

Illinois Circuit, to be supplied (by D. C. Ross).

Kingston Mission, Michael Martz.

#### FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

*S. H. Babcock, P. E.*

Fort Smith, V. V. Harlan.

Fort Smith Circuit, John A. Handlin.

Greenwood Circuit, J. L. Hays.

Sugar Loaf Circuit, to be supplied.

Fourche Circuit, to be supplied (by J. M. Keener).

Bluffton Circuit, James E. Martin.

Waldron Circuit, N. E. Fair.

Walnut Tree, James L. Keener.

Danville Circuit, I. B. Hickman.

Booneville, S. S. Ray; G. W. Evans, Sup.

Paris, Thomas E. Seawell.

Charleston, to be supplied (by J. J. Smith).

Fort Smith District High School, John N. McGlaughlin.

#### CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

*I. L. Burrow, P. E.*

Clarksville, J. Loving.

East Clarksville Circuit, B. Williams.

West Clarksville Circuit, J. M. Haynes.

Altus, W. J. Wood; H. R. Withers, Sup.

Ozark, J. P. Caldwell.

Ozark and Webb City, H. M. Granade.

Alma and Pleasant Hill, J. P. Calloway.

Mountainburg, L. I. Lasley.

Van Buren, B. L. Ferguson.

Van Buren Circuit, J. W. Bryant.

Dover, W. H. Metheney.

#### LEWISBURG DISTRICT.

*Jerome Haralson, P. E.*

Lewisburg, R. M. Tydings.

Springfield Circuit, T. A. Graham; W. R. Knowlton, Sup.

Port Remove Circuit, to be supplied (by J. W. Huffaker).

Mt. Vernon Circuit, A. C. Ray.

Quitman Circuit, T. J. Smith.

Clinton Circuit, J. L. Massey, W. H. W. Burns.

Russellville Circuit, W. H. Corley.

Dardanelle, W. J. Dodson.

Dardanelle Circuit, J. J. Roberts.

Shoal Creek Circuit, H. Puckett.

Perryville, to be supplied.

Oppelo, J. L. Wyche.

Quitman College, J. A. Peebles.

#### YELLVILLE DISTRICT.

*J. M. Clayton, P. E.*

Yellville Circuit, H. C. Jolly.

Mountain Home, G. P. R. Vanzant; E. C. Jones, Sup.

Mountain View, A. H. Williams, T. A. Setzer.

Marshall Circuit, Martin L. Williams.

Wiley's Cove, J. E. Dunaway.

Bellfonte, F. A. Jeffett.

Valley Springs, T. R. Nichols.

Carrollton, D. C. Summers.

Berryville, to be supplied (by R. W. Goudelock).

Lead Hill, to be supplied (by W. A. Dees).

Sunday-school and Tract Agent, T. M. C. Birmingham.

W. C. Brodie transferred to the North-west Texas Conference.

## BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ALEXANDRIA, VA., March 7-15, 1877.

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; JOHN S. MARTIN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. W. Asby Williams, William Henry Woolf, William Edward Blackstone, Frank Montgomery Strother, Lee M. Lyle, R. Stewart Cunningham, German O. Honian, Jacob S. Hopkins, John G. Graichen, James L. Porterfield, John C. Jones, Henry P. Hamill. 12.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Edward G. Vandiver, L. Rosser Green, W. Eggleston Woolf, J. Latimer Kibler, George T. D. Collins, George S. Lightner, John H. Davidson, Alfred O. Armstrong, William A. Bryan, Charles M. Haddaway, Henry C. Caldwell, W. W. Hedrick, William H. Sanders. 13.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Henry A. Wilson (at his own request), Daniel L. Bush. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? William B. Dorsey, J. Kyle Gilbert, James H. Boyd, James W. Shoaff, A. Ezra Bradenbaugh, Henry T. Watts, Andrew M. Cackley, Charles M. Brown, Henry S. Coe, Luke R. Markwood. 10.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? William R. McNeer. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. Wesley Steele, John Robert Andrew, Charles E. Simmons, Oscar F. Burgess, J. Asbury Regester, Robert M. Williams, M. P. Scanlan, T. G. Nevitt, Alfred C. Gearhart, Rufus M. Wheeler, William Marshall Hiner, Washington Varner, Alfred H. Way, John W. Carter, Oliver C. Beall, Robert Ross. 16.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? William B. Dorsey, J. Kyle Gilbert, James H. Boyd, James W. Shoaff, A. Ezra Bradenbaugh, Henry T. Watts, Andrew M. Cackley, Charles M. Brown, Henry S. Coe, Luke R. Markwood. 10.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? William B. Dorsey, J. Kyle Gilbert, James H. Boyd, James W. Shoaff, A. Ezra Bradenbaugh, Henry T. Watts, Andrew M. Cackley, Charles M. Brown, Henry S. Coe, Luke R. Markwood, J. Frederick Baggs. 11.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Lee M. Lyle, John F. Sharpless. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Lee M. Lyle, John F. Sharpless. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Lewis L. Lloyd, Vincent W. Wheeler, William E. Miller, Ballard R. Wilburn. 4.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Lewis L. Lloyd, Vincent W. Wheeler, William E. Miller, Ballard R. Wilburn. 4.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? George W. Gardner. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? George W. Gardner. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? John D. C. Hanna, J. Timothy Smith (at their own request), Lucius H. Baldwin, Alfred C. Gearhart. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? John W. Boteler, Joseph N. Spangler, George R. Jefferson, Eugene R. Smith, Francis M. Mills, J. Newman Hank, Edward F. Heterick, Asbury R. Martin, James C. Hammer, Milton A. Taylor, John P. Hall, James Beatty, Stewart S. Ryder. 13.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Thomas B. Sargent, Samuel Kepler, John W. Tongue, Thomas Hildebrand, Alfred A. Eskridge, Henry Hoffman, William H. Wheelwright, William J. Perry, William Hedges, Elias Welty, P. S. E. Sixeas, William T. D. Harper, Jehu Hank, Ephraim L. Kregelo, John W. Evans. 15.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Norval Wilson, Jason P. Etchison, Henry C. Pitzer. 3.

NORVAL WILSON was born at Morgantown, Monongahela county, Va., December 24, 1802. His father, Thomas Wilson, was a lawyer of acknowledged ability, who not only met the demands of a large practice, but also filled other conspicuous positions, serving as a legislator in his native Virginia, and in the Congress of the United States. His ancestors were of the sturdy Scotch-Irish stock, who cherished the faith of their fathers with unchanging love. They were Presbyterians of the Presbyterians, who held no Methodist in their line till the subject of this memoir was converted in 1819. In his independence, courage, reverence for the word of God, and other traits, he was no unworthy representative of noble sires. It will be conjectured that in such a family the advantages of culture would not be underrated, and accordingly we find the ample fortune of the father combined with his love of learning to secure to all the children the benefits of a liberal education. Proof is not wanting that the opportunities, in one case at least, were well improved. Then was laid the foundation of that love of letters which strengthened with his strength. It is not too much to say that few of his coadjutors read as constantly or carefully, and as widely as he. While the study of theology was prosecuted, both from convictions of duty and love of that divine science, he found time to explore other fields. His "diary"

notes the books which he read, notwithstanding the arduous labors of the itinerancy; history—civil and ecclesiastical—law, science, philosophy, form a partial catalogue of the studies in which he delighted. He was born of God at a camp-meeting, in 1819, and some of his own mightiest victories were in after-life won on fields like that whereon he was brought captive to Christ. His call to the ministry must have soon succeeded his conversion, as we find him admitted a probationer in the Baltimore Annual Conference in 1821, and appointed to the Connellsville Circuit. In 1822 he was stationed in Baltimore. At the Conference of 1825, Bishop Soule presiding, he was reappointed to Baltimore City, and resolves, "with humble reliance on God, to proceed to the performance of duty," and closes the work of the second year with the minute: "The two years I have spent here have been two of the most interesting of my life. God has brought me safely through, and my labor has not been altogether in vain in the Lord. I have also acquired many instructive lessons as well from my own experience and observation as from the teaching of the Holy Ghost. O praise the Lord!" His labors and the labors of his colleagues were not in vain. September, 1825, he writes: "A glorious revival has now broken out in Baltimore, both Town and Point, which I pray God may continue and extend far and wide." March, 1826, he was stationed at Ebenezer, Washington, D. C., and 1827 and 1828 at Georgetown. In April of the last-named year, he writes: "The past has been a year of singular mercy to my soul. O may God make the present a year of great grace to myself personally, and also to the flock committed to my care." June, 1826, brother Wilson was married to Miss Cornelia L. Howland, who, after a happy union of forty-seven years, preceded him to the heavenly country, April, 1873. March, 1829, he was appointed to Cumberland District. Having located his family in Winchester, he goes forth to his toil, bearing precious seed. When the extent of the territory of the district and the limited facilities for travel are remembered we find reason to admire the zeal which could inspire and support the preachers of fifty years ago. "April 25—After riding eighty-five miles to Cumberland, preached from Rom. xii. 1. May 1—After riding one hundred and ten miles, preached in New Market, from Heb. xii. 14. September 12—After riding eighty-three miles, preached at the Bedford camp-meeting, held in Trough Creek, from Matt. vii. 7. September 17—After riding forty-one miles, preached at the quarterly-meeting for 'Clear Spring Circuit,' held in Mercersburg, from Neh. iv. 6." Such zeal the more commands our admiration in view of the fact that in the earlier years of his ministry he was subject to violent hemorrhages, inasmuch that himself and his friends often despaired of his life. At an Annual Conference held in Washington, he was stationed in Alexandria. He writes: "The Lord has guarded me, upheld me, and in every respect been better to me than all my fears

since I have been riding the district. May the same grace, the same Providence, attend me in my present station. Lord help me to be abundant in labors, and grant me much fruit of my labors!" His prayer was heard. August, 1832, he records: "A precious work of grace is now extensively prevailing among us. Within two months, more than two hundred and sixty have been added to the Church. To God be all the glory." April, 1833, he was reappointed to Baltimore; but his health became so feeble that he was "compelled to desist from preaching for two months." At the ensuing Conference he asked for a circuit, and was appointed to Jefferson, which then included, besides Shepherdstown and Harper's Ferry, three or four of the circuits of to-day. One who knew him well says: "Perhaps nowhere had he been more successful than in this circuit. It was during this term of service that, with a spirit of holy enterprise, he went into the streets of Shepherdstown and called sinners to repentance." March, 1835, at a Conference held in Winchester, he was appointed to the Rockingham District, which then included Rockingham, Roanoke, Pocahontas, and intervening counties. The work was too laborious for his fragile body, though he persevered in it till 1838, when he was relieved and appointed to Winchester Station. He had entered upon the work of the Rockingham District with prayer, and he left it with thanksgiving. "Most devoutly I give thanks to God for my removal from the district, as I was unequal to the performance of its laborious duties." May, 1839, we find this entry: "'The Head of the Church' has favored us with a revival. This week, seventy-eight have been received into the Church." March 29, 1840, the close of his labors in Winchester is thus noted: "Preached my last sermon from 1 Thess. v. 25, and thus ended two years of preaching, and, I trust, profitable labor in the Winchester Station. God be thanked. Above one hundred and fifty professed to find peace." March, 1840, the Conference assembled in Georgetown, and Brother Wilson was appointed to the Baltimore District. We have seen that he was appointed to the presiding eldership as early as 1829, when little more than twenty-six years old. In 1835, 1840, and again in 1851, he filled the same important office. He was a delegate to not less than seven General Conferences—to all that were held between the years 1828 and 1856, that of 1844 only excepted. He was in his twenty-sixth year when elected to the General Conference of 1828. No one had been sent from the Baltimore Conference at so early an age, and it is believed that in this particular no part of its history can furnish a parallel. The momentous troubles in Episcopal Methodism, which had their culmination at the General Conference of 1844, placed the Baltimore Conference in a painful position. The history of this strife is too recent to have been forgotten by men yet in their prime; it is therefore not necessary to reproduce the sad details which many are now striving to forget. It is enough

to say, though the conservative spirit of the Conference was sorely tried, it was never exhausted, and every effort made to force the body to take a new attitude proved ineffectual. The action taken as early as 1845 was never repented. The pledges it gave were in due time redeemed, and to-day a review of its relations to the exciting questions of a thirty years' war leads to the conclusion that the Conference could not have done better, and on its own account has little to regret. Brother Wilson helped to shape the judgments of his Conference, and earnestly maintained and defended them. This he did when it was not cheap to be found their advocate. It would be easy to name times when he dared to assert his own convictions and become the champion of his brethren; times when the passions of men made it unsafe to appear in such a cause, or when the power of Caesar put personal liberty, if not life, in peril. But his Roman nature had in it little of the "rascally virtue—prudence." He was bold, but not rash; he did not court danger, neither did he shrink from it if it lay in the path of duty. He threw himself into the breach when timid men would have wavered, and inspired other hearts with the example of his own courage. The year 1865 found him in Virginia, where he had long resided; and soon the question of Church relations demanded settlement. To say that this question was decided by the accident of residence would be to reflect almost equally upon his mind and heart—would be to antagonize him to himself. Brief allusion has been made to his relation to the strife of dreary years. The Conference of 1861 was confronted by a stern necessity—it must redeem its pledges, or stand convicted of infidelity. The decision was soon made. Any one who will read the pastoral letter of that year, prepared by a committee of which Brother Wilson was a member, will easily forecast his future, and see that conviction, and not convenience, decided his course in after years. He was elected President of the Conference, held at Bridgewater, March, 1864; and again of that held at Alexandria, March, 1866, when the body united with the M. E. Church, South. The Conference of the last-named year gave another proof of its confidence in an old leader, and Brother Wilson was sent as a delegate to the first General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, in which the Baltimore Conference had a representative. Enough has been written to indicate the sources of his power; but a word must be added to account for the high intellectual character and rich variety which marked his discourses. His talents were of a high order; but let it not be thought that what he accomplished was the easy effort of genius. A note has been made of the reading of the first few months of his religious life. In the same minutes which record his repeated readings of the Scriptures during twenty years we find these additions: "Besides, I have read 347 volumes; I have traveled in that time 30,943 miles, and preached 2,858 sermons. There is but a partial record of conversions; this rec-

ord is on high. I am an unprofitable servant.

I the chief of sinners am,  
But Jesus died for me. Amen!"

Throughout his diary, on almost every page, we read "finished reading"—"finished reading the second time." There is not a single note of a book begun and not read. Probably there were such—books that were found on examination not to deserve the time a careful reading would require; but the record always is "finished." These books were generally weighty in character, such as would exercise, improve, and inform the mind. He expected to succeed by *inspiration*, but he only then expected the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, when he had furnished his mind by reading, and methodized his thoughts by study and prayer. Perhaps nothing will more fully indicate the spirit of his life and work than a paper found after his decease, in which he records his formal consecration to God:

"O very merciful and gracious Father, from whom I have received my being and my blessings, I have been unbelieving and refractory. Though many years ago I received forgiveness of sins as an act of thy grace, and though I have often felt it a duty to make a solemn and entire dedication of myself to thee, yet has my wayward heart hesitated and refused. I repent before thee, and though weak and trembling, I now propose, invoking the aid of thy grace to assist, to enter upon an act of self-consecration (which I now do), and I beseech thee, in consideration of my great Daysman, accept the offering. Here, then, I present to thee my soul, embracing my intelligence and my passions; my body, including the exercise of its members and its appetites; my heart, with its varied emotions; my time, my substance, my all; purposing to restrain my passions, to refrain from every word, work, thought, being incompatible with . . . as a consecrated child of God. I purpose henceforth to be solely intent on thy glory and subject to thy will, and to lead a life of faith in the *Son of God who loved me, and gave himself for me*. Graciously accept my person, and powerfully maintain me in this holy and earnest consecration, through Jesus Christ and by the Holy Spirit. Now, unto the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost be glory forever. NORVAL WILSON.

"Winchester, Va., July 16, 1846."

JASON P. ETCHISON was the youngest child of Ephraim and Ruth Etchison, and was born in Montgomery county, Maryland, September 22, 1820. In his early life he was made acquainted with privation and trial. When about nine years of age he was left fatherless, and the support of a large family, with limited means, devolved upon his mother and her sons. He enjoyed such educational advantages as were furnished at that time by the obscure rural neighborhood in which he lived. In the seventeenth year of his age he was converted to Christ in the old Mount Lebanon Church, near his home, and became a member of the Methodist Communion. This was the beginning of a conse-

crated Christian life, which seemed always to grow deeper in its experiences, and richer in its fruits of holiness. From the time of his conversion, Brother Etchison felt that God was calling him into the gospel ministry. It was an ever-deepening impression upon his heart that unto him had the dispensation of the word of life been committed. But with that diffidence and distrust of his own abilities which were such marked features of his character, he hesitated to avow his convictions to his brethren in the Church. He felt that his knowledge and mental training were not sufficient to justify him in undertaking the sacred and difficult work of the ministry. In the meantime he was united in marriage to Miss Annie Warthen, a lady whom he had known from childhood. But the claims and interests of his earthly home could not divert his attention permanently from the great duty toward which it had been divinely directed. The exercises of his mind upon this subject finally became painful even to agony. God was thrusting him out to do the work appointed him. And at last, with much fear and trembling, and with a single-hearted dependence upon Him who has said to them that go forth in his name, "Lo, I am with you alway," he offered himself for admission into the ranks of the itinerant Methodist ministry. He was employed for one year by Rev. N. J. B. Morgan, P. E., upon the Patapsco Circuit; at the close of which time he was received on probation into the Baltimore Annual Conference. His subsequent appointments were as follows: 1852-3, Lexington Circuit; 1854-5, Blue Sulphur; 1856-7, Levelton; 1858, Frankford; 1859-60, Rehoboth; 1861-2, Fairfield; 1863-4-5, Fincastle; 1866-7, Baltimore Circuit; 1868-9, East Baltimore Station; 1870, Baltimore Circuit; 1871-2-3, Salem; in 1874-5 he was superannuated; in 1876 he was appointed to Arlington and Pikesville. For a number of years his health was feeble, and his physical sufferings sometimes extreme. But, under these heavy disabilities, he continued to prosecute his work with unabated zeal and signal success. The urgency of his love to the Church and the souls of men would not allow him to cease from his labors until he should rest in heaven. Even during his superannuated term, up to the measure of his ability, he preached and exhorted; and even beyond his ability did he strive, "that by all means he might save some." Notwithstanding his shattered health, he entered upon the duties of his last charge with his accustomed earnestness and devotion, and with the prospect of abundant usefulness. But his work was done. On May 1, 1876, he fell sick of pneumonia, and on the last day of the same month found a sweet release from all suffering and toil. During his illness he was able to converse with his friends very little, but the testimonies which he gave them were the same calm, clear, joyous utterances with which all who knew him were familiar—unwavering confidence in God, and conscious victory through the blood of the Lamb. Brother Etchison was a man greatly beloved. No minister of our Conference ever won a more

general appreciation or warmer personal friends among his ministerial brethren, and in the congregations to which he ministered; and the tidings of his death awakened a sense of bitter loss in very many hearts. As a pastor Brother Etchison was affectionate, full of sympathy, and attentive. His sermons were clear, plain, scriptural presentations of gospel truth, and were delivered with great earnestness and unction. He felt the gospel which he preached—felt it tenderly and deeply—and longed, with an inexpressible longing, to impart its saving truths to all who heard him. In prayer and exhortation he was singularly touching and impressive. A large number of souls were brought to the cross through his efforts; a multitude were guided and comforted in the way of life. And we rejoice in the assurance that he is dwelling now in the Saviour's presence, with many souls to whom he ministered upon earth. "They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters; and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."

HENRY CLAY PITZER, son of John L. and Harriet A. Pitzer, was born in Covington, Alleghany county, Va., September 22, 1844; was converted in the same town, March, 1857; departed this life in Union, W. Va., February 8, 1877, and was buried in Covington, February 10. He was licensed to preach by the Rev. W. G. Coc, in his native town, April 10, 1871, and employed by his presiding elder as a colleague to the lamented R. S. Shreve, on Monterey Circuit. March, 1872, he was received on trial in the Baltimore Conference, and returned to the same field. After two and a half years of very acceptable and successful service on that circuit, he was in March, 1874, admitted into full connection and ordained deacon by Bishop Doggett, and appointed to White Sulphur Station. March, 1875, after a year of faithful work and thorough consecration to the important interests of our Church at White Sulphur, he was appointed to take charge of Union Circuit. March, 1876, he was ordained elder by Bishop Marvin, and reappointed to Union Circuit. March, 1874, he was married to Miss Sallie H. Pettigrew, of Lexington, Va., who, with two little children, survives him. The personal life of Brother Pitzer was beautiful and exemplary. "He was always a good child," is the testimony of those who knew him during the early portion of his life; he gave his heart to God, and received the assurance of pardon, when a little over twelve years of age; his conversion was clear and satisfactory, his experience deep and abiding; his ministerial life also was beautiful and exemplary; here again his conviction of duty was clear and convincing. The presence of the apostolic saying, "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel!" was to him the voice of Christ. To hear was to obey—he gave himself wholly to the ministry. The people of the several pastoral charges where he labored, and his co-la-

borers, are witnesses of his consecration and devotion to his work. His zeal was quenchless and tireless. Success and prosperity attended him in all his charges. Sinners were convicted, converted, saved. Believers were encouraged, strengthened, edified. He was affectionate in his nature; warm, true, unselfish; sound in doctrine, firm in discipline; blameless in life; worthy and well qualified in every part of ministerial and pastoral work. As a preacher he was clear, forcible, pathetic; a sweet singer, and a faithful laborer at the altar. Sunday night, January 21, after the usual labors of the day, having preached twice, found him at his appointment in Union—a revival was in progress. On Monday night again, although the day was one of languor and feebleness, he was still standing at his post. Tuesday, in the hands of a physician—yet he preached at night. Wednesday, still under medical treatment and growing worse, hardly able to stand alone—yet he managed to get to the church and preached what proved to be his last sermon. After preaching he labored at the altar; closed the service with an able and earnest exhortation, and returned to the parsonage to take his bed and to die. After a few days of great suffering, the disease attacked his brain; he became unconscious, and never had a lucid moment afterward. February 8, 1877, about 2 o'clock P.M., he fell asleep in Jesus. On Sunday, the 10th, his presiding elder, Rev. W. G. Coe, preached his funeral sermon in Covington, Va., to a large congregation of weeping friends, from 2 Timothy iv. 6-8. In these words we all read the past fidelity, the readiness for death, and the glorious immortality of our beloved departed brother. "He ceased at once to work and live."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of Robert A. McIlhenny, who was expelled.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Baltimore District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Central.....	148	.....	1
St. Paul's.....	412	.....	.....
Emmanuel.....	197	.....	1
Frederick Avenue.....	60	.....	.....
Calvary.....	125	.....	3
Baltimore Circuit.....	190	.....	1
Arlington.....	60	.....	1
Freedom.....	105	.....	2
Linden Mission.....	60	.....	.....
Linganore.....	208	.....	1
Frederick City.....	102	.....	.....
Rockville.....	415	2	2
Darnestown.....	31	.....	.....
Montgomery.....	197	.....	1
Beltsville.....	120	1	.....
Laurel.....	259	.....	.....
South River.....	179	.....	.....
Bladensburg.....	60	.....	.....
Emory.....	50	.....	.....
Upper Marlboro.....	105	.....	.....
German Mission.....	72	.....	2
	3155	3	15

#### East Baltimore District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Trinity.....	350	.....	1
East Baltimore Mission.....	101	.....	.....
North Baltimore.....	169	.....	.....
Taylor Circuit.....	117	.....	.....
West Harford.....	51	.....	.....
East Harford Mission.....	52	.....	.....
Talbot Mission.....	246	.....	3
Hillsboro Mission.....	48	.....	.....
Trappe.....	99	.....	.....
Kent Mission.....	106	.....	.....
Queen Anne's.....	339	.....	1
Severn.....	62	.....	.....
West River.....	235	.....	.....
Calvert Mission.....	285	.....	3
Prince George's.....	296	.....	2
Charles.....	227	.....	.....
	2804	.....	10

#### Washington District.

Mt. Vernon Place.....	295	.....	.....
Alexandria.....	446	1	1
Fairfax.....	420	2	2
Falls Church.....	164	.....	.....
Farmwell.....	144	1	1
Leesburg.....	241	8	1
Hamilton and Grove.....	288	.....	2
Hillsboro.....	320	.....	2
Loudoun.....	549	.....	2
Piedmont.....	348	1	.....
Warrenton.....	255	1	1
Linden.....	284	.....	.....
Fauquier Mission.....	373	.....	1
Prince William.....	183	1	.....
Stafford.....	334	.....	1
Fredericksburg.....	189	.....	.....
	4833	15	14

#### Winchester District.

Winchester.....	492	.....	2
Winchester Circuit.....	414	.....	1
Cedarville Mission.....	231	.....	.....
Frederick Mission.....	85	.....	1
Front Royal and Riverton.....	160	.....	3
Warren.....	183	1	.....
Berryville Mission.....	143	.....	.....
Bruce town.....	257	.....	.....
Martinsburg.....	134	.....	1
Berkely.....	152	.....	1
Charlestown.....	167	.....	.....
Jefferson.....	165	.....	.....
Shepherdstown.....	318	.....	.....
Gainsboro.....	300	2	1
Wardensville.....	115	.....	.....
Bethel Mission.....	130	1	.....
Morgan Mission.....	121	.....	.....
Shenandoah Mission.....	60	.....	.....
	3727	4	10

#### Rockingham District.

Staunton.....	349	.....	.....
Harrisonburg.....	221	.....	.....
Shenandoah Iron Works.....	68	3	1
Mt. Sidney Mission.....	205	.....	2
Churchville.....	327	.....	.....
Bridgewater.....	321	.....	1
Sangersville.....	169	.....	.....
Rockingham Mission.....	260	.....	2
East Rockingham.....	370	.....	2
Port Republic Mission.....	184	.....	1
Furnace No. 2 Mission.....	205	.....	2
New Market.....	154	2	.....
Woodstock.....	300	2	.....
Strasburg Mission.....	134	.....	1
Luray.....	364	.....	4
	3631	7	16

#### Roanoke District.

Salem.....	238	.....	.....
Roanoke Circuit.....	373	2	3
Blacksburg.....	158	.....	1
Christiansburg.....	141	.....	.....
Fincastle.....	486	.....	.....

*Roanoke District (continued).*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lexington Circuit .....	155	.....	.....
James River .....	214	.....	.....
New Castle Mission.....	180	2	1
Catawba Mission.....	108	2	1
Sinking Creek.....	239	.....	3
Lafayette Mission.....	198	.....	.....
	2490	6	9

*Lewisburg District.*

Lewisburg.....	203	.....	1
Frankford.....	369	1	2
White Sulphur Mission.....	129	.....	1
White Sulphur.....	78	.....	1
Blue Sulphur.....	273	2	1
Levelton.....	173	.....	.....
Edray Mission.....	148	10	2
Green Bank.....	261	.....	.....
Centerville.....	294	.....	1
Peterstown.....	132	.....	.....
Union.....	105	.....	.....
Summers Mission.....	118	1	.....
Hillsdale.....	79	.....	1
Howard's Creek.....	30	.....	.....
Laurel Creek.....	39	.....	1
	2422	14	11

*Lexington District.*

Lexington.....	179	.....	.....
Collierstown.....	175	4	.....
Fairfield.....	290	.....	1
Augusta.....	258	.....	.....
West Augusta Mission.....	160	3	.....
Upper Botetourt.....	196	.....	2
Covington.....	236	.....	3
Monterey.....	416	17	.....
Crab Bottom.....	91	4	1
Circleville Mission.....	55	.....	.....
Highland.....	200	3	.....
Bath.....	126	.....	.....
Green Valley Mission.....	63	.....	.....
	2445	31	7

*Moorefield District.*

Moorefield.....	200	1	.....
Petersburg Mission.....	105	.....	1
Franklin Mission.....	265	2	.....
Keyser.....	94	.....	3
South Branch.....	282	.....	1
Springfield.....	252	.....	2
North River.....	169	1	3
Hardy Mission.....	83	1	2
Piedmont Station.....	158	.....	3
Frostburg.....	71	.....	1
Listonville.....	100	.....	.....
Cumberland.....	70	.....	.....
Flint Stone.....	141	.....	1
Rainsburg.....	75	.....	.....
	2055	5	17

*Recapitulation.*

Baltimore District.....	3155	3	15
East Baltimore ".....	2804	.....	10
Washington ".....	4833	15	14
Winchester ".....	3727	4	10
Rockingham ".....	3631	7	16
Roanoke ".....	2490	6	9
Lewisburg ".....	2422	14	11
Lexington ".....	2445	31	7
Moorefield ".....	2055	5	17
Total this year.....	27,562	85	109
Total last year.....	26,765	89	100
Increase.....	797	.....	9
Decrease.....	.....	4	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,461.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,225.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 422.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 3,973.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 23,183.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$4,625.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$4,625. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions? (Not stated.)

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Baltimore, Md.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

*E. F. Busey, P. E.*

Central, John A. Kern; J. N. Hank, Sup.  
St. Paul's, S. K. Cox; J. N. Spangler, Sup.  
Emmanuel, James S. Gardner, J. C. Hummer, Sup.

Frederick Avenue, C. G. Linthicum.  
Baltimore Circuit, J. A. Regester.

Arlington, B. R. Wilburn.

Freedom, D. Bush, A. E. Bradenbaugh; J. P. Hall, Sup.

Linganore, W. R. Stringer.

Frederick City, S. S. Roszell.

Rockville, J. C. Dice, Charles M. Brown; Asbury R. Martin, Sup.

Montgomery, Hamilton A. Gaver, Michael P. Scanlon.

Bladensburg, Louis R. Jones, J. L. Porterfield.  
Laurel, Louis C. Miller.

Wesley Grove, Burton S. Highley.

South River, William A. Macdonald.

Upper Marlboro, William E. Miller.

German Mission, to be supplied.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

*Dabney Ball, P. E.*

Trinity, W. W. Walker; Eugene R. Smith, Sup.

Calvary, A. W. Wilson.

East Baltimore, Lemuel W. Haslup.

North Baltimore, Beverly W. Bond.

Taylor's Circuit, Shannon F. Butt.

West Harford, John W. Steele.

East Harford, George W. Lightner.

Talbot, George T. Tyler, George S. Lightner.

Trappe, Presley B. Smith.

Kent, Thomas W. Brown.

Queen Anne's, W. W. Watts, W. A. Bryan.

Severn, J. Latimer Kibler.

West River, Edward H. Henry, W. Ashby Williams.

Calvert, Charles L. Torreyson, Charles E. Simmons.

Prince George's, Francis A. Mercer, Charles M. Haddaway.

Charles and St. Mary's, William R. McNeer.

## WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

*Samuel Regester, P. E.*

Mt. Vernon Place, to be supplied; John W. Boteler, Sup.  
 Alexandria, William K. Boyle; Francis W. Mills, Sup.  
 Fairfax, Charles A. Joyce, J. Frederick Baggs.  
 Falls Church, Rumsey Smithson.  
 Farmwell, Oliver C. Beall.  
 Leesburg, Henry H. Kennedy.  
 Potomac Mission, Frazier Furr.  
 Hamilton and Grove, L. H. Crenshaw.  
 Hillsborough, J. Hoffman Waugh, Frank M. Strother.  
 Loudoun, Thomas E. Carson, Henry P. Hamill.  
 Piedmont, J. Hervey Dulaney.  
 Warrenton, James Higgins, L. Rosser Green.  
 Paris, George B. Allen.  
 Fauquier, James S. Porter, Lee M. Lyle.  
 Stafford, Joseph H. Temple.  
 Prince William, Robert Smith.  
 Fredericksburg, James E. Armstrong.  
 Sunday-school and Tract Agent, Joshua M. Grandin.

## WINCHESTER DISTRICT.

*Nelson Head, P. E.*

Winchester, Samuel Rodgers.  
 Winchester Circuit, Adam B. Dolly.  
 Cedarville, Rufus H. Wilson.  
 Frederick, Francis H. Shipley; Edward F. Hetrick, Sup.  
 Front Royal and Riverton, William C. Maloy.  
 Warren, William B. Dorsey.  
 Berryville, George G. Brooke.  
 Brucetown, William A. Wade, R. Stewart Cunningham.  
 Martinsburg, John Poisal.  
 Berkeley, John W. Wolff.  
 Charlestown, Sydnor G. Ferguson.  
 Jefferson, Andrew M. Cackley.  
 Shepherdstown, J. Lester Shipley.  
 Gainsboro, James H. Wolff.  
 Wardensville, Lewis G. Martin; Milton A. Taylor, Sup.  
 Bethel, Robert M. Williams.  
 Shenandoah Mission, Alfred H. Way.  
 Lone Oak Female College, John P. Hyde, Pres.

## ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

*David Thomas, P. E.*

Staunton, John S. Martin.  
 Harrisonburg, William G. Eggleston.  
 Shenandoah Iron Works, William G. Hammond.  
 Mount Sidney, Lewis H. Grabill.  
 Churchville, W. H. Wilson; George R. Jefferson, Sup.  
 Bridgewater, Hamilton W. Kinzer, John G. Graichen.  
 Rockingham, Francis H. Richey, George T. D. Collins.  
 East Rockingham, Francis A. Strother.  
 Port Republic, Andrew Robey.  
 Furnace, Jacob F. Hopkins.

New Market, Charles L. Dameron.  
 Woodstock and Edinburg, Gilson Mauzy.  
 Strasburg, Lafayette Fox.  
 Luray, Mabury G. Balthis.  
 Page, German O. Homan.  
 Wesleyan Female Institute, Staunton, Va., W. A. Harris, Principal; John Landstreet, Agent.

## ROANOKE DISTRICT.

*Robert R. S. Hough, P. E.*

Salem, Jefferson W. Duffy.  
 Roanoke Circuit, Joseph J. Engle.  
 Blacksburg, Addison Weller.  
 Christiansburg, James H. March.  
 Fincastle, William H. Seat, John H. Davidson.  
 Lexington Circuit, William O. Ross.  
 James River, William W. Hederick.  
 New Castle Mission, Aaron Boone.  
 Catawba Mission, Robert Ross.  
 Sinking Creek, W. Marshall Hiner.  
 Lafayette, Louis Lloyd.

## LEWISBURG DISTRICT.

*William G. Coe, P. E.*

Lewisburg, Adam P. Boude.  
 Frankford, William L. Lynch, Henry C. Caldwell.  
 White Sulphur, James T. Williams.  
 Anthony Creek, John W. Canter.  
 Blue Sulphur, Vincent W. Wheeler.  
 Ronceverte, Henry S. Coe.  
 Levelton, James R. Van Horne.  
 Huntersville, Rufus M. Wheeler.  
 Green Bank, H. Monroe Strickler.  
 Centreville, Joseph J. Crickenberger.  
 Peterstown, William H. Sanders.  
 Union, J. Watts Shoaff.  
 Hillsdale, to be supplied.  
 Summers, Oscar F. Burgess.  
 Johnson Female College, J. M. Follansbee, President.

## LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

*John L. Gilbert, P. E.*

Lexington, Isaac W. Canter.  
 Collierstown, Saul B. Dolly.  
 Fairfield, Thomas Briley.  
 Augusta, Benjamin F. Ball, John C. Jones.  
 West Augusta, John T. Maxwell.  
 Upper Botetourt, James H. Boyd.  
 Covington, William T. Quinn.  
 Monterey, Adam Q. Flaherty, Alfred O. Armstrong.  
 Crab Bottom, James F. Follin.  
 Highland, Henry D. Bishop, J. Kyle Gilbert.  
 Bath, Asbury C. McNeer; S. S. Ryder, Sup.  
 Green Valley Mission, Washington Varner.

## MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.

*Peter H. Whisner, P. E.*

Moorefield, George H. Zimmerman; James Beatty, Sup.  
 Petersburg, William E. Woolf.  
 Franklin, John C. Sedwick, William E. Blackiston.

Keyser, Wesley Hammond.  
 South Branch, John S. Hutchinson, Edward G. Vandiver.  
 Springfield, Sylvanus Townsend, W. H. Woolf.  
 North River, John N. Gray.  
 Morgan, Leonidas Butt.  
 Hardy, to be supplied.  
 Piedmont, Samuel W. Haddaway.  
 Frpstburg, Thomas G. Nevitt.  
 Listonville, Luke R. Markwood.

Cumberland, to be supplied.  
 Flint Stone, Silas R. Snapp.  
 Rainsburg, John R. Andrew.

Allen A. P. Neale transferred to Florida Conference.

John Hannon transferred to Louisiana Conference.

James M. Stevenson, Henry T. Watts, transferred to Western Virginia Conference.

## COLUMBIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WALLA WALLA, W. T., September 12-17, 1877.

BISHOP McTYEIRE, *President*; J. W. COMPTON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. None.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? W. J. James, Horton T. Burger. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? W. J. James. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Stephen Gascoigne. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Thornton P. Haynes, Angelo Hardison, S. W. Davies, J. W. Shreve. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Allen W. Watts. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Allen W. Watts. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? B. F. King. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? B. F. King. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? R. C. Martin. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? C. H. E. Newton. 1.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preach-

ers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

### Willamette District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Eugene and Coast Fork.....	20	.....
Harrisburg.....	60	.....
Lebanon and Tangent.....	50	1
Junction City.....	90	1
Corvallis and Albany.....	125	1
Dallas.....	90	4
Yamhill and Tillamook.....	103	2
Oregon City.....	80	3
	618	12

### Jacksonville District.

Jacksonville.....	45	.....
Table Rock.....	27	1
Applegate.....	42	2
Kirbyville.....	.....	.....
Cogville.....	25	.....
Oakland.....	21	1
Roseburg.....	126	5
	286	9

### Blue Mountain District.

Powder River.....	40	.....
Grande Ronde.....	60	.....
Weston.....	62	2
Pendleton.....	34	.....
Walla Walla.....	30	.....
Dayton and Waitsburg.....	59	.....
Lewiston.....	23	.....
Boise and Payette.....	.....	.....
	308	2

### Recapitulation.

Willamette District.....	618	12
Jacksonville ".....	286	9
Blue Mountain ".....	308	2
Total this year.....	1,212	23
Total last year.....	1,147	23
Increase.....	65	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 35.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 71.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 11.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 53.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 330.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the supernannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? No estimate made.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$52. Applied to claimant.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$58.10; Domestic Missions, \$52.45. Total, \$119.55.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Roseburg, Oregon.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### WALLA WALLA DISTRICT.

*R. C. Oglesby, P. E.*

Walla Walla, J. W. Compton.  
Powder River, Stephen Gascoigne.  
Grande Ronde, J. W. Shreve.  
Pendleton, S. W. Davies.

Dayton and Waitsburg, Horton T. Burger.  
Lewiston, T. P. Haynes.  
Weston, R. C. Oglesby.  
Boise and Payette, F. W. D. Mays.

#### JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.

*J. R. N. Bell, P. E.*

Jacksonville, Angelo Hardison.  
Roseburg, J. R. N. Bell.  
Cogville, Joseph B. Perkins.  
Applegate, to be supplied.  
Oakland, to be supplied.

#### WILLAMETTE DISTRICT.

*T. B. White, P. E.*

Corvallis, Joseph Emery.  
Albany, to be supplied.  
Harrisburg and Eugene, to be supplied.  
Tangent and Lebanon, D. C. McFarland.  
Junction City Circuit, E. G. Michael.  
Forks of Santiam and Sweet Home, P. A. Moses.  
Dallas Circuit, N. M. Skipworth.  
Yamhill and Tillamook, J. W. Stahl.  
Oregon City Circuit, to be supplied.  
Corvallis College, Joseph Emery, Professor; T. B. White, Agent.

### DENVER CONFERENCE.

HELD AT DENVER, COL., August 16-19, 1877.

BISHOP McTYEIRE, *President*; S. W. DEBUSK, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. None.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? A. H. Quilian. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? M. A. Clark, R. M. Craven. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Sidney R. Propst, James A. Gregg. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Thomas Frazier. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are supernannuated? None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Montana District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Helena Mission.....	74	2	.....
Silver Star Mission.....	23	.....	.....
Boulder Valley Mission.....	1	.....	.....
Bozeman Mission .....	24	.....	1
Willow Creek and G. C. Mission.....	33	.....	.....
Diamond City and Radersburg Mis.	30	.....	.....
Deer Lodge Mission.....	7	.....	.....
Missoula and Corvallis Mission.....	45	.....	.....
	237	2	1

Denver District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Denver.....	70	.....	.....
Golden.....	22	.....	.....
Colorado Springs.....	32	.....	.....
Divide.....	44	.....	1
Sterling.....	36	.....	4
	204	.....	5

Pueblo District.

Pueblo Circuit.....	82	.....	2
Huerfano.....	60	.....	2
Trinidad and Dodsonville.....	33	.....	.....
West Las Animas.....	12	.....	.....
	187	.....	4

Recapitulation.

Montana District.....	237	2	1
Denver ".....	204	.....	5
Pueblo ".....	187	.....	4
Total this year.....	628	2	10
Total last year.....	528	.....	9
Increase.....	100	2	2

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 43.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 16.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 8.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 41.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 250.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$39.10.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$39.10. Money invested; no claimant.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$216.25; Domestic Missions, \$8. Total, \$224.25.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Helena, M. T.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MONTANA DISTRICT.

David Morton, P. E.

Helena, to be supplied.

Diamond City and Radersburg, R. S. Clark.

Bozeman, C. W. Sandford.

Gallatin City and Willow Creek, L. B. Stateler.

Corvallis and Missoula, T. W. Flowers.

Silver Star, E. G. Stanley.

Deer Lodge, to be supplied.

Boulder City, to be supplied.

DENVER DISTRICT.

E. A. Sears, P. E.

Denver, W. Harris.

Golden, E. A. Sears.

Sterling, R. M. Craven.

Divide, to be supplied (by — Evans).

Colorado Springs, M. A. Clark.

PUEBLO DISTRICT.

W. M. Smith, P. E.

Pueblo, G. R. McClure.

West Las Animas, T. R. Pierce.

Huerfano, A. H. Quillian.

Trinidad and Dodsonville, S. W. DeBusk.

Thomas L. Duke transferred to Pacific Conference.

Daniel L. Collie transferred to Louisville Conference.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CROCKETT, TEXAS, December 12-16, 1877.

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; S. W. TURNER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial? ANSWER. Hundley H. Vaughan, E. Clarence Finley, Buckner H. Scott, E. T. Brasher. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Albert Little, Thomas T. Booth. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? James F. Henderson, Caleb H. Smith, James R. D. Taylor, Evander M. Sweet, James B. Hall, Joseph T. Smith, George D. Wilson, Littleton M. Fowler. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? A. D. Parks. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? W. T. Burk, David M. Stovall, G. C. Stovall. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Napoleon T. Burks, W. T. Burk. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? James F. Henderson, Caleb H. Smith, James R. D. Taylor, Evander M. Sweet, Joseph T. Smith, George D. Wilson, Littleton M. Fowler. 7.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? James F. Henderson, Caleb H. Smith, J. R. D. Taylor, E. M. Sweet, J. T. Smith, George D. Wilson, Littleton M. Fowler. 7.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Bailey E. Edwards, Berry Duke, Edward Mason, George W. Steward, Haston Twomey, Thomas McKnight. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Bailey E. Edwards, Berry Duke, Edward Mason, George W. Stewart, Haston Twomey. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? James M. Mills. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? James M. Mills. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Ira J. Spence, Edward T. Brasher. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Ira J. Spence, Edward T. Brasher, George M. Hopper. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Neill Brown. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? W. N. Bonner, Isaac W. Overall, Richard Menifee, W. H. Ardis, E. P. Rogers, Daniel Morse. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? John B. Tullis, Joseph M. Blanton. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? James R. Bellamy. 1.

JAMES R. BELLAMY was born of pious parents in Scott county, Va., on January 10, 1817, and departed this life at his residence in Panola county, Texas, on January 6, 1877, of pneumonia. We feel inadequate to the task of doing justice to the memory of one so abundant and successful in labors, and so much beloved by his brethren and numerous friends. He was indeed a "true yoke-fellow" in the gospel harness. He was converted in his boyhood days, entered the ministry in 1843, and was admitted into the Holston Conference the year following. In this Conference he filled eight appointments on as many circuits. During these years his labors were owned and blessed of the Lord. He received into the Church 1,550, and traveled circuits averaging 23 appointments to each round. At the close of the year 1851, he asked for and obtained a transfer from the Holston Conference to the East Texas Conference. Here he has labored faithfully upon missions, circuits, and districts with but brief intervals, occasioned by feeble health, until his Master called him from labor to rest. He was a man of sound, practical sense, with a mind well stored with the great doctrinal truths of the Bible, and with a happy flow of language in the forcible presentation of those truths. He was not only a good preacher, but was also a faithful pastor. His knowledge of our doctrines, founded upon the words of inspiration, preëminently qualified him to fully sustain them in his pulpit ministrations. His deep piety and fervent zeal for the cause of Christ won many trophies for the Church of God. While we deeply deplore his death, and heartily sympathize with his bereaved companion and orphan children, we praise God for giving his Church such a man and minister as James R. Bellamy to labor with us and for us for the space of twenty years. He seldom spoke on the Annual Conference floor; but when he did, he spoke rightly and at the right time. He was emphatically a working member of our body, and understood the whole machinery of Methodism, and knew how to adjust its running ap-

paratus. For several years his health had declined, but he could not consent to become a drone in the gospel hive. He went forth even with crippled wing to gather sweets for his Master's store-house, until burdened with the fruitage of faith and good works, he took his flight to the heaven of his fondest hopes. His last words gave assurance that his lamp was trimmed and burning, and he was ready to enter the marriage-supper of the Lamb. The night before he died, a near friend and brother called to see him, and asked him what were his future prospects. He replied: "So far as my future prospects are concerned, all is well." A few hours before he breathed his last, he sent for Brother J. C. A. Bridges (now his successor on the San Augustine District). When he arrived he found him very near death's door, not in a situation to converse much; as he approached his bedside, our dying brother softly whispered, saying: "Sing 'O come, angel band, come, and around me stand.'" About the close of that sweet song he raised both hands, and looking as though he could see their coming and hear the rustling of their "snow-white wings," he closed the eyes which had shed many a briny tear as he had so often and so invitingly looked upon perishing sinners, then folded his arms across his breast, and his happy spirit departed in peaceful triumph. Truly may it be said of his departure from earth to heaven that "he had fought a good fight, and finished his course, and kept the faith, and that there was laid up for him a crown of righteousness."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Marshall District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marshall.....	198	4
Harrison Circuit.....	213	2
Hallville.....	141	.....
Elysian Fields.....	402	2
Henderson and Overton.....	220	4
Bellview.....	301	1
Starrville.....	574	7
Troupe.....	386	8
Larissa.....	437	3
	2872	31

#### Palestine District.

Palestine and Nechesville.....	155	3
Palestine Circuit.....	341	4
Crockett Circuit.....	375	2
Crockett and Augusta.....	165	1
Cherokee Circuit.....	465	6
Rusk and Jacksonville.....	235	2
Kickapoo.....	235	4
Athens.....	546	3
Tyler.....	190	.....
Trinity Mission.....	85	2
Pennington.....	208	4
Neches.....	203	8
	3203	39

San Augustine District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Augustine.....	175	3
Milam.....	219	1
Shelby.....	547	4
Buena Vista.....	282	3
Mount Enterprise.....	438	3
Douglas Mission.....	190	3
Melrose.....	409	5
Lynn Flat.....	300	3
Carthage and Bethlehem.....	333	1
Carthage Circuit.....	423	3
	3316	29

Beaumont District.

Beaumont.....	142	.....
Wallisville.....	79	1
Hardin Mission.....	68	.....
Smithfield.....	81	1
Moscow.....	280	2
Woodville.....	200	3
Wolf Creek.....	161	1
Jasper Circuit.....	330	3
Newton.....	408	6
Homer.....	341	6
	2090	23

Recapitulation.

Marshall District.....	2872	31
Palestine ".....	3203	39
San Augustine ".....	3316	29
Beaumont ".....	2090	23
Total this year.....	11,481	122
Total last year.....	10,586	97
Increase.....	895	25

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 418.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 920.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 82.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 431.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 3,116.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1,500.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$764.80. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Domestic Missions, \$1,163.70; Foreign Missions, \$543.35. Total, \$1,707.05.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Tyler, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

R. W. Thompson, P. E.

Marshall, U. B. Phillips.  
Harrison, J. C. Woolan.

Elysian Fields, L. C. Crouse.

Hallville, B. H. Scott.

Starrville, John Adams.

Henderson and Overton, S. W. Turner.

Bellview, W. A. Sampey.

Troupe, J. A. Mathus.

Larissa, Samuel Weaver.

Grand Bluff Mission, to be supplied (by G. W. Lentz).

Alexander Institute, Isaac Alexander.

South-western University, N. T. Burks.

PALESTINE DISTRICT.

D. P. Cullen, P. E.

Tyler, R. S. Finley.

Trinity, L. M. Fowler.

Athens, C. H. Smith.

Kickapoo, B. A. Thomasson; W. H. Ardis, Sup.

Palestine, E. F. Boone.

Palestine Circuit, Thomas T. Booth.

Crockett and Augusta, James B. Hall.

Crockett Circuit, A. D. Parks.

Pennington, James F. Henderson.

Cherokee, Albert Little; W. N. Bonner, Sup.

Rusk and Jacksonville, J. W. Johnson; E. P. Rogers, Sup.

SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT.

J. C. A. Bridges, P. E.

San Augustine, G. D. Wilson.

Shelby, J. N. Bridges.

Buena Vista, D. S. Watkins.

Carthage, W. T. Burk.

Carthage Circuit, J. M. Mills.

Pine Hill, J. R. Wages.

Mount Enterprise, F. M. Stovall.

Lynn Flat and Douglas, J. T. Smith; J. W. Overall, Sup.

Melrose, M. Donnegan; Richard Meniffee, Sup.

Neches, E. C. Finley.

Milam, to be supplied (by D. C. Neel).

BEAUMONT DISTRICT.

L. C. Armstrong, P. E.

Beaumont, Lacy Boone.

Wallisville, J. R. D. Taylor.

Hardin Mission, G. C. Stovall.

Smithfield Mission, H. H. Vaughan.

Moscow, J. M. Bond.

Homer, M. H. Jones.

Woodville, D. M. Stovall.

Wolf Creek Mission, R. M. Kirby.

Jasper, E. M. Sweet.

Newton, E. T. Brasher.

## FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TAMPA, FLA., November 15-18, 1877.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; FREDERICK PASCO, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William O. Hampton, Frank M. Hanser, Claude A. Saunders, Aurelio Silvera. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? John B. Ley, Thurlow Bishop, Wallace G. Royster, Selwyn L. Smith, Henry B. Someilan, Charles E. Pelot, Edwin W. Woodbery. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Holman H. Ellzey. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Hardy F. Phillips, George W. Mitchell. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? David W. Core. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? John T. Duncan, J. B. McFarland. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are deacons of one year? Joseph A. Castel, Samuel B. Smitteel, McK. F. McCook, Robert Martin, David W. Core. 5.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Hardy F. Phillips, George W. Mitchell. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Hardy F. Phillips, George W. Mitchell, Aurelio Silvera. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Jason Gant, John W. Wells. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Jason Gant, John W. Wells, Robert J. Bradley. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Andrew A. Barnett, William H. F. Roberts, Julius D. Rogers. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Andrew A. Barnett, William H. F. Roberts, Julius D. Rogers. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Ezekiel Glazier. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Ezekiel Glazier, Marion A. Jeffcoat. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Robert M. Ellzey. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Samuel W. Carson, John F. Neal. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? James A. Wiggins, Isaac Munden, George W. Fagg, Sterling Gardner, George C. Leavel, John Penny, Archibald Johnson, Overton W. Ransom, William E. Collier. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Oliver Eady. 1.

OLIVER EADY, presiding elder of Gainesville District, fell at his post on the morning of

Wednesday, September 4, 1877. It was not during the first flush of youth, when, standing upon the threshold of action, his anticipations bright bid him go forward—nor in the day when age hath laid its cold hand upon the energies, paralyzing human effort for good, bidding the heart to rest in faith, and sending it for its joys to the recollections of the past, or forward in anticipation of the future; but it was in the vigor of manhood, in the very midst of the battle, when day by day and hour by hour, through the blessing and grace of God, he was enjoying in part at least the fruits of the victory, when the hopes of his earlier manhood were returning again, bringing with them the rich fruitage of many years consecrated to God and the Church. It was in the midst of all this that this Christian warrior, this valiant soldier of the cross, was called upon to lay down his armor and take up the harp—to exchange a life of toil for one of rest, to give up the society of loved ones and join the blood-washed throng on high. For many long years he was a faithful, earnest, and devoted minister of the gospel. The Church was dear to his heart, and even during his last day on earth, and even in the last hour of consciousness, he was deeply concerned in and pleading for her well-being. He is gone. We deeply deplore our loss; and while we, in profoundest sympathy with his bereaved family, and with the Church of God, would scatter upon his grave the tears of affection, we do at the same time bless the great Head of the Church for the pure, devoted Christian life and ministry of our departed brother, and rejoice in the good hope of ere long meeting him close by the throne of God.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

## Tallahassee District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tallahassee .....	181	.....	.....
Leon Circuit.....	185	.....	.....
Crawfordsville Circuit.....	204	1	1
Ocklocknee Mission.....	119	.....	1
Gadsden Circuit.....	182	.....	2
Liberty Circuit.....	125	4	3
Quincy.....	97	.....	1
Little River Circuit.....	187	.....	2

Tallahassee District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Monticello.....	138	.....	1
Waukeenah Circuit.....	240	.....	3
Union Circuit.....	270	.....	2
Apalachicola Mission.....	120	.....	1
	2048	5	17

Live Oak District.

Live Oak Circuit.....	237	.....	6
Wellborn Circuit.....	437	.....	7
Jasper Circuit.....	214	.....	2
Lake City.....	115	.....	.....
Columbia Circuit.....	388	.....	3
Newnansville Circuit.....	257	.....	1
Madison Circuit.....	615	.....	3
Mosely Hall Circuit.....	196	.....	4
Lafayette Circuit.....	160	.....	2
Benton Mission.....	50	.....	.....
Lake Butler Circuit.....	343	.....	6
Baldwin Circuit.....	98	.....	1
	3110	.....	35

Gainesville District.

Gainesville.....	64	.....	2
Waldo Circuit.....	234	.....	4
Micanopy Circuit.....	190	.....	.....
Orange Lake Mission.....	60	.....	1
Fort Mason Mission.....	82	.....	.....
Ocala Circuit.....	130	1	1
Ocklawaha Circuit.....	150	.....	2
Bronson Circuit.....	110	.....	5
Sumter Circuit.....	399	.....	6
Brooksville Circuit.....	233	2	5
Crystal River Circuit.....	125	.....	1
	1777	3	27

Jacksonville District.

Jacksonville.....	190	.....	1
La Villa.....	68	.....	1
Jacksonville Mission.....	52	.....	1
Fernandina.....	38	.....	.....
Nassau Mission.....	75	.....	1
Mandarin Mission.....	34	.....	1
Green Cove Mission.....	28	.....	2
St. Augustine Mission.....	25	.....	1
Palatka Mission.....	40	.....	1
Fruitland Mission.....	167	.....	3
Enterprise Mission.....	49	.....	1
Melenville.....	61	.....	.....
Lake Jessup Circuit.....	75	.....	.....
Orange Circuit.....	233	4	5
	1135	4	18

Tampa District.

Tampa.....	54	.....	3
Key West, First Charge.....	251	.....	.....
Sparks's Chapel.....	253	.....	.....
Cuban Mission.....	78	.....	1
Alafia Circuit.....	225	.....	5
Manatee.....	63	.....	5
Manatee Mission.....	34	.....	1
Bartow Circuit.....	239	.....	2
Peace Creek Circuit.....	160	2	6
Fort Myers Circuit.....	73	.....	.....
Clear Water Circuit.....	310	.....	4
	1740	2	27

Recapitulation.

Tallahassee District.....	2048	5	17
Live Oak ".....	3110	.....	35
Gainesville ".....	1777	3	27
Jacksonville ".....	1135	4	18
Tampa ".....	1740	2	27
Total this year.....	9810	14	124
Total last year.....	9274	19	125
Increase.....	536	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	5	1

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 666.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 340.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 133.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 673.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 4,174.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$2,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,002.96. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$517.18; Domestic Missions, \$915.15. Total, \$1,432.33.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Gainesville.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.

Charles A. Fullwood, P. E.

Tallahassee, J. B. Fitzpatrick.

Leon Circuit, S. Woodbery.

Crawfordville Circuit, R. Martin.

Ocklocknee Mission, to be supplied (by W. T. Taylor).

Gadsden Circuit, Wilbur F. Norton.

Liberty Circuit, Robert D. Gentry.

Quincy, to be supplied.

Little River Circuit, William G. Booth.

Monticello, Edwin L. T. Blake.

Waukeenah Circuit, James B. McFarland.

Union Circuit, William H. F. Roberts.

Apalachicola, David W. Core.

LIVE OAK DISTRICT.

James P. DePass, P. E.

Live Oak and Madison, Charles E. Dowman; J. F. Neal, Sup.

Wellborn Circuit, Robert H. Howren.

Suwanee Circuit, Thomas R. Barnett.

Jasper Circuit, William O. Hampton.

Lake City and Benton, U. S. Bird.

Columbia Circuit, William C. Collins.

Newnansville Circuit, Anderson Peeler.

Lake Butler Circuit, Elias J. Knight.

Baldwin Circuit, to be supplied.

Madison Circuit, J. M. Hendry.

Mosely Hall Circuit, to be supplied (by W. S. Richardson).

Lafayette Mission, to be supplied.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.

Samuel E. Philips, P. E.

Gainesville, McK. F. McCook.

Waldo Circuit, T. J. Philips.

Micanopy Circuit, Henry E. Partridge.

Fort Mason Mission, Julius S. Collier.

Ocala Circuit, A. A. P. Neel.

Ocklawaha Circuit, Junius D. Rogers.

Bronson Circuit, Thomas W. Tomkies.

Cedar Keys, William R. Johnson.  
 Sumter Circuit, William Davies.  
 Brooksville Circuit, William Williams.  
 Crystal River Circuit, to be supplied (by J. W. Wells).

### JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.

*Frederick Pasco, P. E.*

Jacksonville, H. B. Frazee.  
 La Villa, E. W. Woodbery.  
 Jacksonville Mission, Frank M. Hauser.  
 Duval Mission, Hardy F. Philips.  
 Fernandina, John B. Ley.  
 Nassau Mission, W. M. Watts.  
 Green Cove, T. W. Moore.  
 St. Augustine Mission, to be supplied (by T. L. Cooper).  
 Fruitland Circuit, Thurlow Bishop.  
 Palatka, Samuel B. Smitteel.  
 Enterprise Mission, Wallace G. Royster.  
 Melonville, Robert H. Barnett.  
 Lake Jessup Circuit, Selwyn L. Smith.  
 Orange Circuit, Andrew A. Barnett.

Cross Prairie Mission, John T. Duncan.  
 Indian River Mission, to be supplied.

### TAMPA DISTRICT.

*Adam A. Robinson, P. E.*

Tampa, J. J. Seally.  
 Tampa Bay Mission, Claude A. Saunders.  
 Key West: First Charge, John C. Ley.  
 Sparks's Chapel, to be supplied (by I. A. Towers).  
 Cuban Mission, Henry B. Someilan.  
 Cuban School, Aurelio Silvera.  
 Alafia Circuit, W. C. Jourdan.  
 Manatee, E. F. Gates.  
 Manatee Mission, to be supplied (by E. Glazier).  
 Bartow Circuit, E. H. Giles; S. W. Carson, Sup.  
 Peace Creek Circuit, James A. Castel.  
 Fort Myers Circuit, Charles E. Pelot.  
 Clear Water Circuit, George W. Mitchell.  
 Missionary to the Seminole Indians, E. B. Duncan.

John H. Johnson transferred to the Memphis Conference.

## GERMAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT HOUSTON, TEXAS, November 14-19, 1877.

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; J. B. A. AHRENS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. G. Miller, John A. Bohmfalk, Geo. A. Carstens, Louis Saeger, William Knolle. 5

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? None.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? C. J. Wiemers, G. Buchschacher. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? C. F. Quellmalz. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. C. Kopp, jr., F. W. Hardt, Charles Thomas, C. Evers. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? C. J. Wiemers, G. Buchschacher. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? C. J. Weimers, G. Buchschacher. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? W. F. R. Thoussen, Ed. Dowitzky. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Ed. Dowitzky. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? William Leiser, August Scheurich. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? William Leiser, August Scheurich. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Charles Thomas. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. C. Kopp, sr.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

*Houston District.*

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Houston.....	90	1
Houston Mission.....	14	.....
Galveston.....	8	.....
Bellville.....	62	1
Industry.....	58	2
Grassyville and Giddings.....	85	1
Lake Charles.....	16	.....
Long Prairie.....	18	1
	351	6

*New Braunfels District.*

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
New Fountain.....	76	.....
Fredericksburg.....	85	2
Llano.....	75	1
Yorktown.....	37	1
New Braunfels.....	13	.....
Cibolo and Gaudalupe.....	90	2
	376	6

*New Orleans District.*

Dryades Street Church.....	187	2
Craps Street Church.....	92	1
Sorapam.....	50	.....
Carrollton Mission.....	12	.....
St. Tammany Mission.....	32	.....
	373	3

*Recapitulation.*

Houston District.....	341	6
New Braunfels ".....	376	6
New Orleans ".....	373	3
Total this year.....	1,090	15
Total last year.....	1,012	14
Increase.....	78	1

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 134.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 9.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 26.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 145.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 835.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$50.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$50. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$421.05; Domestic Missions, \$512.85. Total, \$933.90.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Industry, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

**HOUSTON DISTRICT.**

*F. Vordenbaumen, P. E.*

Houston, F. Vordenbaumen, John A. Pauly.  
Houston Mission, Charles A. Grote.  
Galveston, J. A. G. Rabe.  
Bellville, George H. Carstens.  
Lake Charles, August Scheurich.

**NEW BRAUNFELS DISTRICT.**

*J. A. Schaper, P. E.*

Industry, J. C. Kopp, jr.  
Grassyville and Giddings, H. Haas.  
Long Prairie, William Knolle.  
New Mountain and Castroville, Jacob Bader.  
Fredericksburg, G. Buchschacher.  
Llano, Jacob Kern.  
Yorktown and Goliad, G. Miller.  
New Braunfels and Hortontown, William Lieser.  
Cibolo and Guadalupe, John Prinzing.  
Weimar and Schulenburg, F. W. Hardt.  
Mountain Mission, to be supplied.  
Houston District High School at Industry, H. Ebers, Principal.  
Fredericksburg College, Christian Ebers, Agent.

**NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.**

*J. B. A. Ahrens, P. E.*

Dryades Street Church, John G. Krauter.  
Craps Street Church, J. B. A. Ahrens.  
Sorapam Street Church, John A. Bohmfalk.  
Carrollton Mission, C. J. Wiemers.  
St. Tammany Mission, Louis Saeger.  
Mobile Mission, C. F. Quellmalz.  
Algiers and Donaldsonville, to be supplied.  
Jackson R. R. Mission, to be supplied.  
Editor *Familienfreund*, J. B. A. Ahrens.

**HOLSTON CONFERENCE.**

**HELD AT CLEVELAND, TENN., October 24-31, 1877.**

**BISHOP DOGGETT, President; FRANK RICHARDSON, Secretary.**

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. George A. Oglesby, Harvey P. Bailey, Morris C. Miller, James M. Gross, George W. Summers, George A. Maiden, Andrew J. Blankenbeckler, William B. Pickens, Jackson J. Brooks, Napoleon B. Graves, Robert A. Owen. 11.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? D. H. Co-man, William B. Baldwin, C. S. Bird, John R. Walker, J. E. Cox, John C. Bays, Joseph F.

Wampler, S. L. Richardson, John W. Carnes, A. E. Householder, Henry S. Lee, R. A. Hut-sell, W. L. Richardson, J. O. Shelley. 14.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Charles F. Clark, Thomas W. Alexander. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-tion? William W. Hicks, J. T. Stover, John D. Hickson, William B. Stradley, James A. Lyons, M. D. Thompson, John R. Stewart, J. R. Cunningham, R. M. Standifer, Jackson V.

Brown, R. T. Barton, W. D. Akers, Charles M. James, P. P. Kinser. 14.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? William H. Weaver. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Walter H. Stevens. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? James K. Wolf, E. L. Barrett, Ayres Kincaid, Joseph B. Davis, G. W. K. Greene, Morton S. Watts, David H. Dickey, William B. Resse, Isaac H. Hoskins, Joseph P. Reynolds, Samuel S. Weatherly, James N. Lotspeich, Winfield S. Jordan, G. C. Rankin, J. S. Ross, E. S. Shelby. 16.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? W. W. Hicks, J. T. Stover, M. D. Thompson, John R. Stewart, J. R. Cunningham, R. M. Standifer, W. D. Aker, P. P. Kinser. 8.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? W. W. Hicks, J. T. Stover, M. D. Thompson, John R. Stewart, J. R. Cunningham, R. M. Standifer, W. D. Akers, P. P. Kinser. 8.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Joseph F. Wampler, Elisha Johnson, George A. Maiden, William P. Evans, G. W. Quimby, A. E. Householder, William B. Pickens, Jackson J. Brooks, Joseph A. Darr, Melville M. Baker, Jacob Houts. 11.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Joseph F. Wampler, George A. Maiden, William P. Evans, A. E. Householder, William B. Pickens, Jackson J. Brooks, Joseph A. Darr, Melville M. Baker, Jacob Houts. 9.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Joseph A. Sensabaugh, William M. Crawford, James I. Cash, jr., John W. Robertson, John H. Parrott, John H. Kennedy, Erastus H. Bogle. 7.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Joseph H. Sensabaugh, William M. Crawford, James I. Cash, jr., John W. Robertson, John H. Parrott, John H. Kennedy, E. H. Bogle. 7.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Edward Shelley, William P. Ekin, Jacob T. Freeman, William W. Woodward. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Edward Vertegans, E. S. Shelley. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? W. L. Turner, R. M. Hickey, J. K. P. Ball, John Alley, R. W. Pickens, W. H. Cooper, B. O. Davis, F. A. Farley, G. W. Renfro, S. Phillips, J. B. Davis, B. F. Nuckolls, G. W. K. Greene, J. H. Robinson. 14.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Joseph Haskew, Wiley B. Winton, Timothy Sullins, William Robeson, L. W. Crouch, T. J. Pope, R. A. Giddens, W. W. Neal, William Hicks, S. D. Gaines. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their

characters examined and passed, except those of G. M. Massey, who was expelled from the Church; and J. M. Marshall, whose case was referred to the presiding elder of Knoxville District.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference.

### Wytheville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wytheville.....	210	.....	1
Wytheville Circuit.....	880	.....	3
Marion Circuit.....	1031	.....	6
Jefferson Circuit.....	510	.....	5
Independence Circuit.....	675	.....	8
Elk Creek Circuit.....	883	.....	4
Hillsville Circuit.....	607	.....	10
Carroll Mission.....	60	.....	2
Lead Mines Circuit.....	396	.....	4
Newbern Circuit.....	355	.....	2
Central Circuit.....	280	.....	1
Jacksonville and Floyd Mission.....	168	.....	4
Watauga.....	448	.....	6
	6503	.....	56

### Jeffersonville District.

Jeffersonville.....	318	.....	.....
Liberty Hill Circuit.....	661	2	5
East Tazewell Circuit.....	887	5	13
Pearisburg Circuit.....	956	.....	5
Seddon Circuit.....	846	1	11
Princeton Circuit.....	496	.....	10
Buchanan Mission.....	319	1	.....
McDowell Mission.....	450	.....	1
Blueston and Flat Top Mission.....	290	.....	1
	5223	9	46

### Abingdon District.

Abingdon.....	138	1	.....
Abingdon Circuit.....	614	.....	3
Emory and Saltville Circuit.....	695	.....	6
Rich Valley Circuit.....	613	.....	4
Bristol.....	274	.....	3
Bristol Circuit.....	577	4	3
Lebanon Circuit.....	601	.....	3
Dickensville Circuit.....	698	2	5
Gladeville Circuit.....	304	.....	3
McClure Mission.....	225	.....	1
Estellville Circuit.....	554	4	5
	5273	11	36

### Jonesboro District.

Jonesboro.....	110	.....	.....
Jonesboro Circuit.....	278	.....	.....
Johnson and Elizabethton.....	110	1	2
Blountville Circuit.....	497	1	4
Union Circuit.....	325	.....	2
Rheatown Circuit.....	338	.....	4
Greenville Circuit.....	285	.....	2
Newport Circuit.....	275	.....	.....
St. Clair Circuit.....	354	.....	3
Fall Branch Circuit.....	312	.....	1
Taylorsville Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
	2878	2	18

### Morristown District.

Morristown.....	268	.....	2
Morristown Circuit.....	219	.....	5
Mossy Creek.....	139	.....	1
Rogersville Circuit.....	126	.....	.....
Rutledge Circuit.....	370	.....	1
Kingsport Circuit.....	400	.....	4
Eye Cove Circuit.....	550	.....	3
Jonesville Circuit.....	540	.....	4
Powell's Valley Circuit.....	623	.....	6
Tazewell Circuit.....	320	.....	2
Sneedville Circuit.....	195	.....	5
	3750	.....	33

## Knoxville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Church Street.....	305	.....	4
Broad Street.....	262	.....	1
City Mission.....	95	.....	.....
Knoxville Circuit.....	325	.....	2
Lenoir Circuit.....	150	.....	1
Maryville and Louisville Circuit.....	285	1	2
Clinton Circuit.....	325	.....	3
Madisonville Circuit.....	324	.....	3
Jacksboro Circuit.....	283	.....	3
Strawberry Plains and Dandridge...	575	1	2
Sevierville.....	184	.....	2
	3113	2	23

## Athens District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Athens.....	113	.....	.....
Athens Circuit.....	435	.....	4
Riceville Circuit.....	300	.....	2
Decatur Circuit.....	537	.....	3
Sweetwater Circuit.....	296	1	1
Philadelphia and Loudon Circuit.....	315	1	2
Unita and Morganton Circuit.....	173	1	1
Eleazer and Tellico Mission.....	315	1	4
Madisonville Circuit.....	372	.....	3
	2856	4	20

## Chattanooga District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Market Street.....	272	.....	1
Whiteside Street.....	280	.....	2
Lookout Mission.....	160	.....	1
Cleveland.....	175	.....	.....
Cleveland and Benton Circuit.....	378	.....	1
Charleston.....	240	.....	1
Ooltewah Circuit.....	341	.....	2
Hamilton and Sale Creek Mission...	189	.....	1
Trenton Circuit.....	754	.....	8
	2789	.....	17

## Sequatchie District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jasper.....	114	.....	.....
Jasper Circuit.....	335	.....	3
Pikeville Circuit.....	232	1	.....
Washington Circuit.....	261	.....	5
Kingston Circuit.....	411	2	2
Jamestown and Obed River Mission...	190	.....	.....
Crossville and Bonair Mission.....	225	.....	6
Spencer Mission.....	114	.....	.....
Altamont and Mountain Mission.....	250	.....	2
Tracy City.....	64	.....	.....
Summerfield Circuit and Mission...	105	.....	3
Clinch River Mission.....	66	1	.....
	2368	4	21

## Asheville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Asheville.....	190	.....	2
Weaverville.....	638	.....	7
Sulphur Spring.....	642	.....	4
Brevard.....	396	.....	1
Hendersonville.....	372	.....	1
Catawba.....	428	2	1
Burnsville.....	365	.....	3
Bakersville.....	310	.....	1
Laurel Mission.....	81	.....	.....
Marshal and Pine Creek Mission...	306	1	1
	3729	3	21

## Franklin District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Franklin.....	270	.....	4
Franklin Circuit.....	44	1	2
Waynesville Circuit.....	440	.....	2
North Haywood Circuit.....	550	.....	2
Hayesville Circuit.....	320	.....	5
Murphy Circuit.....	392	.....	2
Ducktown and Mine City.....	104	.....	.....
Webster Circuit.....	400	.....	4
Robinsonville Mission.....	140	2	1
Echota (Indian) Mission.....	.....	.....	2
	2660	3	24

## Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wytheville District.....	6503	.....	56
Jeffersonville ".....	5223	9	46
Abingdon ".....	5273	11	36
Jonesboro ".....	2878	2	18
Morristown ".....	3750	.....	33
Knoxville ".....	3113	2	23
Athens ".....	2856	4	20
Chattanooga ".....	2789	.....	17
Sequatchie ".....	2368	4	21
Asheville ".....	3729	3	21
Franklin ".....	2660	3	24
Total this year.....	41,142	38	315
Total last year.....	40,986	89	308
Increase.....	156	.....	7
Decrease.....	.....	42	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,328.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,868.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 489.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 3,001.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 23,623.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1,670.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,522.85. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? For Domestic Missions, \$2,718.23; for Foreign Missions, \$2,097.26. Total, \$4,815.49.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Knoxville, Tenn.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. M. McTeer, P. E.

Wytheville, Hezekiah W. Bays.

Wytheville Circuit, John S. W. Neal, George W. Summers.

Newbern Circuit, George Stewart, John W. Carnes.

Marion, George D. Frensh.

Marion Circuit, William H. Price.

Jefferson Circuit, Isaac S. Ross.

Independence Circuit, Flemming D. Crumley.

Elk Creek Circuit, James Mahoney; B. F. Nuckols, Sup.

Lead Mines Circuit, Henry C. Neal.

Jacksonville Circuit, Leander W. Thompson.

Hillsville Circuit, William W. Hicks.

Fancy Gap Mission, Philip P. Kinzer.

## JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.

A. J. Frazier, P. E.

Jeffersonville, Levi K. Haynes.

Liberty Hill Circuit, Casper E. Wiggins.

East Tazewell Circuit, A. T. Brooks.

Pearisburg Circuit, John W. Bowman.

Seddon Circuit, W. S. Jordan; G. W. K. Green, Sup.

Princeton Circuit, William H. Barnes.  
 Buchanan Mission, J. M. Gross.  
 McDowell Mission, George A. Oglesby.  
 Rich Valley Circuit, William H. Kelley.  
 Blue Stone and Flat Top Mission, John R. Walker.

#### ABINGDON DISTRICT.

*B. W. S. Bishop, P. E.*

Abingdon, George C. Rankin.  
 Abingdon Circuit, Morton S. Watts; J. B. Davis, Sup.  
 Emory Circuit, E. W. Moore, J. N. Lotspeich.  
 Bristol, Jacob T. Frazier.  
 Bristol Circuit, John R. Cunningham.  
 Lebanon Circuit, M. L. Clendenen.  
 New Garden Circuit, James E. Cox.  
 Dickensonville Circuit, John H. Kennedy, J. C. Bays.  
 Gladeville Circuit, A. J. Blankenbecker.  
 Estelville Circuit, William L. Richardson.  
 Watauga Circuit, W. M. Crawford.  
 McClure Mission, to be supplied (by I. N. Boyd).  
 Sullins College, D. Sullins, President; D. S. Hearon, Professor.  
 Martha Washington College, E. E. Hoss, Professor.  
 Abingdon District High School, George A. Frazier, Principal.  
 Emory and Henry College, E. E. Wiley, President; James A. Davis, Professor; George W. Miles, Financial Agent.  
 Sunday-school Secretary, W. G. E. Cunningham.

#### JONESBORO DISTRICT.

*John Boring, P. E.*

Jonesboro, William B. Stradley.  
 Jonesboro Circuit, Joseph H. Sensabaugh.  
 Jefferson City and Elizabethton, D. H. Dickey.  
 Blountville Circuit, Landon C. Delashmit.  
 Union Circuit, George W. Callahan.  
 Rheatown Circuit, John L. M. French.  
 Greenville Circuit, John D. Hickson.  
 Newport Circuit, Isaac H. Heskens.  
 St. Clair Circuit, William R. Barnett.  
 Fall Branch Circuit, William D. Akers.  
 Vanderbilt Mission, Joseph F. Wampler.  
 Watauga Institute, J. K. P. Ball, Principal.

#### MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.

*G. Taylor, P. E.*

Morristown, C. T. Carroll.  
 Morristown Circuit, Henry P. Waugh.  
 Mossy Creek, John H. Parrott.  
 Rutledge Circuit, J. N. S. Huffaker.  
 Rogersville Circuit, C. S. Bird.  
 Kingsport Circuit, John M. Wolfe.  
 Rye Cove Circuit, Philip S. Sutton.  
 Jonesville Circuit, D. R. Smith; William L. Turner, Sup.  
 Powell's Valley Circuit, William B. Baldwin; F. A. Farley, Sup.  
 Tazewell Circuit, John D. Baldwin.  
 Sneedville Mission, Samuel L. Richardson.  
 Branner Institute, H. P. Myers, President.

#### KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

*Frank Richardson, P. E.*

Church Street, Jackson S. Burnett.  
 Mabry Street and City Mission, Harvey T. Bayley.  
 Broad Street, William W. Bays; B. O. Davis, Sup.  
 Knoxville Circuit, A. E. Householder.  
 Lenoir Circuit, Henry S. Lee.  
 Maryville and Louisville Circuit, William D. Mountcastle.  
 Clinton Circuit, Elbert L. Barrett.  
 Maynardville Circuit, James I. Cash.  
 Jacksboro Circuit, Charles K. Miller.  
 Strawberry Plains Circuit, William H. Bates.  
 Dandridge Circuit, Robert A. Hutsel.  
 Sevierville Circuit, S. T. M. McPherson.  
 Clinch River Mission, M. D. Thompson.  
 Knoxville District High School, J. R. Payne, Associate Principal.  
 Conference Book Agent, Jacob Smith.  
*Holston Methodist*, J. A. Lyons, Editor.

#### ATHENS DISTRICT.

*Samuel R. Wheeler, P. E.*

Athens, David W. Carter.  
 Athens Circuit, J. C. Runnyon.  
 Riceville Circuit, Walter H. Stevens.  
 Decatur Circuit, Daniel H. Carr.  
 Sweetwater Circuit, L. L. H. Carlock.  
 Philadelphia and Loudon Circuit, W. W. Pyott.  
 Unitia Circuit, John W. Robertson.  
 Eleazer Circuit, John P. Dickey.  
 Madisonville Circuit, Kenerly C. Atkins, A. Kincade.  
 Hiwassee College, John H. Bruner, President; J. R. Stradley, Agent.

#### CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

*Carroll Long, P. E.*

Market Street, Robert H. Parker.  
 Whiteside Street, John W. Smith.  
 Lookout Mission, to be supplied (by W. I. Drennon).  
 Cleveland, John H. Keith.  
 Cleveland and Benton Circuit, Joseph P. Reynolds.  
 Charleston Circuit, Thomas R. Handy.  
 Ooltawah Circuit, William H. Dawn.  
 Hamilton Circuit, J. J. Brooks.  
 Trenton Circuit, Thomas T. Salyer.

#### SEQUATCHIE DISTRICT.

*T. F. Smyth, P. E.*

Jasper, George W. Simpson.  
 Jasper Circuit, Joseph A. Belderback, R. M. Standifer; John Alley, Sup.  
 Pikeville Circuit, John R. Stewart.  
 Washington Circuit, Robert E. Smith.  
 Kingston Circuit, Thomas F. Glenn; G. W. Renfro, Sup.; S. Philips, Sup.  
 Jamestown Mission, J. O. Shelley.  
 Crossville Mission, N. B. Graves.  
 Spencer Mission, David H. Coman.

Altamont Mission, to be supplied (by Norris B. Brown).  
 Summerfield Mission, to be supplied (by John W. Lloyd).  
 People's College, R. N. Price, President.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

*James S. Kennedy, P. E.*

Asheville, James Atkins, jr.  
 Weaverville Circuit, W. B. Lyda, C. M. James;  
 R. W. Pickens, Sup.  
 Sulphur Springs Circuit, S. S. Weatherly.  
 Leister Circuit, William D. Mitchell; J. H. Robertson, Sup.  
 Brevard Circuit, Samuel S. Grant.  
 Hendersonville Circuit, William R. Pickens.  
 Catawba Circuit, John T. Stover.  
 Burnsville Circuit, James K. Wolfe.

Bakersville Circuit, William B. Reece.  
 Marshall Circuit, James T. Smith.  
 Asheville Female College, James R. Long, President.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

*Daniel Atkins, P. E.*

Franklin Circuit, Mitchell P. Swaim.  
 Macon Circuit, George A. Maiden.  
 Waynesville Circuit, William M. Kerr.  
 Haywood Circuit, Jackson V. Brown.  
 Webster Circuit, Joseph A. Wiggins.  
 Charleston and Robinsonville Circuit, Robert A. Owen; W. H. Cooper, Sup.  
 Hayesville Circuit, Timothy P. Darr.  
 Murphy Circuit, E. H. Bogle.  
 Ducktown and City Mission, William C. Carden.  
 Echota Mission, John W. Bird.

ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT NASHVILLE, ILL., September 19-24, 1877.

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; C. MURCHISON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
 ANSWER. Isaac A. M. Thompson, Theodore Rogers, James M. McGrew, William W. Prine, James W. Hunter. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Samuel F. Shelton, Joel W. Toothaker. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? James White (at his own request). 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Francis E. Taylor, James M. Young, Valentine J. Sevier, Henry C. Dameron, Thomas B. Boswell, Webster Full, Evan B. Evans. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Samuel J. Catlin, Evan B. Evans. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? William L. Thurman, James D. Reese, James A. Garrison, John H. Threlkeld. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Francis E. Taylor, James M. Young, Valentine J. Sevier, Henry C. Dameron, Webster Full, Evan B. Evans. 6.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Francis E. Taylor, James M. Young, Valentine J. Sevier, Henry C. Dameron, Webster Full, Evan B. Evans. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Henry Weakley, William L. Burkitt, William G. Spraggins, Ebenezer Laws. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Henry Weakley, James D. R. Brown, William L. Burkitt, Ebenezer Laws. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elect-

ed elders? John Y. Busby, Nelson A. Auld, James A. Greening. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? John Y. Busby, Nelson A. Auld, James A. Greening. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Theodore Rogers, Francis A. Myrick. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Theodore Rogers. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Thos. L. Foster, Thomas M. Prickett, William B. Beagle. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? William C. Blundell, Daniel McKinney, A. L. Davis, A. F. Rogers. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Richard P. Holt, Mathew R. Gohagen. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Tyra B. Harben, who was suspended from the ministry for six months.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

*Lewistown District.*

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lewistown .....	81	.....
Lewistown Circuit.....	66	2
Canton .....	55	.....

*Lewistown District (continued).*

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marietta and Bushnell.....	35	2
Ottawa Circuit.....	15	.....
Rushville.....	38	1
Rushville Circuit.....	146	2
Mt. Sterling Circuit.....	135	3
El Dara Circuit.....	140	.....
Pittsfield and Detroit.....	31	.....
La Prairie Circuit.....	97	.....
Midway Circuit.....	95	1
Tioga and Basco.....	146	.....
	1080	11

*Jacksonville District.*

Jacksonville.....	43	2
Girard Circuit.....	130	1
Litchfield.....	11	.....
Taylorville Circuit.....	70	.....
Pana.....	55	.....
New Douglas Circuit.....	135	1
Heyworth Circuit.....	30	1
Sherman Circuit.....	37	.....
Waverly Circuit.....	140	2
Shelbyville Circuit.....	101	1
Mt. Zion.....	51	3
	803	11

*Salem District.*

Salem Circuit.....	102	1
Kinmundy Circuit.....	127	.....
Rome Circuit.....	294	6
Clay City Circuit.....	202	3
Xenia Circuit.....	205	3
Johnsonville Circuit.....	120	3
Patoka Circuit.....	192	3
Altamont Circuit.....	226	2
Effingham Circuit.....	115	2
Martinsville Circuit.....	103	.....
Keysport Mission.....	45	.....
	1731	23

*Ashley District.*

Murphysboro and Carbondale.....	180	2
De Soto Circuit.....	115	.....
Marion Circuit.....	122	3
Blair Circuit.....	85	.....
Ashley Circuit.....	170	.....
Nashville.....	93	.....
McLeansboro Circuit.....	200	3
Pulaski Circuit.....	110	4
Columbia and Baldwin.....	78	1
Jonesboro Mission.....	20	1
Duquoin Mission.....	130	3
	1303	17

*Gosport District.*

Gosport and Elliottsville.....	115	1
Gosport Circuit.....	54	.....
Nashville Circuit.....	310	3
Westport Circuit.....	149	.....
White River Circuit.....	61	.....
Waldron Circuit.....	43	1
Shelbyville Circuit.....	91	2
White Creek Mission.....	70	2
Indianapolis City Mission.....	14	.....
	907	9

*Recapitulation.*

Lewistown District.....	1080	11
Jacksonville ".....	803	11
Salem ".....	1731	23
Ashley ".....	1303	17
Gosport ".....	907	9
Total this year.....	5824	71
Total last year.....	6167	80
Decrease.....	343	9

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 70.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 332.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 81.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 511.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 3,998.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$350.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$144.55. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$103.26; Domestic Missions, \$212.90. Total, \$316.16.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Pana, Illinois.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## LEWISTOWN DISTRICT.

*R. F. Hayes, P. E.*

Lewistown, C. Murchison.  
Lewistown Circuit, H. C. Dameron.  
Canton, J. Y. Busby.  
Rushville Circuit, J. A. Greening.  
Tioga Circuit, Isaac A. M. Thompson.  
Midway Circuit, A. Merrill.  
Mt. Sterling Circuit, George Knispel.  
La Prairie Circuit, to be supplied.  
El Dara and Detroit, N. A. Auld.  
Jacksonville, J. D. Sigler.  
Ottawa, to be supplied.

## PANA DISTRICT.

*C. C. Mayhew, P. E.*

Litchfield, W. A. Cross.  
Girard Circuit, S. F. Shelton; S. Myers, Sup.  
Shelbyville Circuit, Theodore Rogers.  
Pana and Taylorville, E. B. Evans.  
Heyworth and Mansfield, to be supplied; A. F. Rogers, Sup.  
New Douglas Circuit, J. A. Garrison.  
Sherman and Mount Zion, A. D. Hocker.  
Waverly Circuit, T. A. Scruggs.  
Shelby Mission, to be supplied (by Henry Weakley).  
Keysport Mission, to be supplied.

## SALEM DISTRICT.

*J. W. Wescott, P. E.*

Salem Circuit, J. W. McGrew.  
Kinmundy Circuit, G. W. Gilmore.  
Rome Circuit, C. T. McAnally.  
Clay City Circuit, V. J. Sevier.  
Johnsonville Circuit, T. B. Boswell.  
Xenia Circuit, to be supplied.  
Patoka Circuit, J. F. Robb.  
Effingham Circuit, to be supplied.  
Altamont Circuit, J. Metcalf.  
Martinsville Circuit, J. F. Hensley; W. C. Blundell, Sup.

## ASHLEY DISTRICT.

*B. R. Hester, P. E.*

Murphysboro and Carbondale, J. H. Garrett.  
 De Soto Circuit, William Hamblin; A. M. Davis, Sup.  
 Blair Circuit, J. J. Prather.  
 Marion Circuit, J. W. Toothaker.  
 Pulaski Circuit, William Thurman.  
 Duquoin Circuit, to be supplied.  
 Ashley Circuit, S. J. Catlin.  
 Nashville, A. W. Smith.  
 McLeansboro Circuit, W. Full.  
 Columbia and Baldwin, G. T. Nichols.  
 Jonesboro, William W. Prine.

## GOSPORT DISTRICT.

*J. L. Branstetter, P. E.*

Gosport, C. H. Dowell.

Elliottsville Circuit, J. H. Threlkeld.  
 White River Circuit, J. M. Young.  
 Nashville Circuit, J. D. Reese, E. H. Morrison.  
 Columbus Circuit, F. E. Taylor.  
 Waldron Circuit, S. A. Feltner.  
 Westport Circuit, J. W. Hunter, and one to be supplied.  
 Franklin and Taylorville Mission, to be supplied.  
 Indianapolis City Mission, to be supplied.

T. M. Ragsdale and O. G. Morton transferred to the Memphis Conference.

L. H. Davis transferred to the South-west Missouri Conference.

W. B. Johnsey transferred to the Missouri Conference.

J. T. McLaughlin transferred to the Arkansas Conference.

## INDIAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT STRINGTOWN, C. N., *September 20-24, 1877.*BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; E. R. SHAPARD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
 ANSWER. Walter Collins, Gibson L. Grayson. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Moses Mitchell. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? W. M. Keith. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? J. W. Coward, Samuel Chicote. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are deacons of one year? None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Charles Duncan, Joseph Smallwood, — Saune, James W. Hamner, Charles Hulsey, Gibson T. Grayson, Daniel Miller, Gooden Nelson, Jones Marshall. 9.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Joseph Smallwood, — Saune, Jas. W. Hamner, Charles Hulsey, Gibson T. Grayson, Daniel Miller, Gooden Nelson, John Ish-tah. 8.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? W. G. Davis. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Simon P. Willis. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? David B. Cumming. 1.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? John Harrell. 1. (No memoir.)

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

*Cherokee District.*

	White Men's.	Indian Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fort Gibson.....	6	114	.....	.....
Tahlequah and Spring Creek.....	.....	295	.....	.....
Claremore.....	14	88	2	1
Flint.....	.....	247	.....	.....
Salasaw.....	13	163	.....	2
Canadian.....	27	157	2	.....
Vinita.....	30	215	.....	3
	90	1279	4	5

## Choctaw District.

	White Mem's.	Indian Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Scullyville.....	164	20	1	6
Double Spring.....	2	98		3
Mushalatubbee.....		93		4
Sans Bois.....		20		4
	166	231	1	17

## Chickasaw District.

Atoka.....	44	90	4	3
Chickasaw.....	98	546	8	10
Washita.....	90			1
Elm Spring.....	42	6		2
Boggy.....		375		7
Kiamichi.....	3	232		6
Doaksville.....	7	708		10
Doaksville Colored Charge.....			40	1
Boggy Colored Charge.....			30	1
	284	1957	82	41

## Creek District.

Ocmulgee.....		105	8	
Eufaula.....		215	5	6
Hichitee.....		362		11
Conchartee.....	3	135	3	4
Broken Arrow.....		149		3
Asbury M. L. School.....	6	9		
	9	975	16	32

## Recapitulation.

Cherokee District.....	90	1279	4	6
Choctaw.....	166	231	1	17
Chickasaw.....	284	1957	82	41
Creek.....	9	975	16	32
Total this year.....	549	4442	103	96
Total last year.....	482	4142	181	90
Increase.....	67	300		6
Decrease.....			78	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 434.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 420.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 40.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 151.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 837.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? (Not stated.)

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? (Not stated.)

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? \$160.72.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Muscogee, Creek Nation.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## CHEROKEE DISTRICT.

*Y. Ewing, P. E.*

Tahlequah, J. F. Thompson.

Fort Gibson, T. K. B. McSpaddin, Isaac Sanders.

Salasaw, to be supplied.

Flint, to be supplied (by Charles Duncan and J. Smallwood).

Vinita, W. S. Derrick.

Claremore, J. W. Coward.

Spring Creek, to be supplied (by Rope Cameron and — Saune).

Canadian, John Sevier.

Orphan Asylum, W. A. Duncan.

## CHOCTAW DISTRICT.

*E. R. Shapard, P. E.*

Scullyville, to be supplied (by S. G. Harrell).

Sans Bois, to be supplied (by James Mullin).

Mushalatubbee, to be supplied.

New Hope Seminary, E. R. Shapard, Sup't.

## CHICKASAW DISTRICT.

*J. H. Walker, P. E.*

Chickasaw Circuit, N. E. Parsons, G. Grayson; one to be supplied, J. D. Collins.

Paul's Valley, to be supplied.

Wichita, to be supplied.

Atoka, J. Y. Bryce.

Jack's Fork, to be supplied (by Moses Perry and — Balinchi).

Boggy, to be supplied (by James Jerry).

Kiamichi, to be supplied (by A. B. Collett and Daniel Miller).

Doaksville, W. M. Keith; S. P. Willis, Sup.

Doaksville Colored Charge, to be supplied (by John Gant).

Boggy Depot Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Isaac Kemp).

## CREEK DISTRICT.

*Samuel Chicote, P. E.*

Ocmulgee Circuit, Moses Mitchell.

Eufaula Circuit, Walter Collins.

Hichitee Circuit, to be supplied (by Moses Sayer).

Broken Arrow, to be supplied (by Jesse Brown).

Conchartee, to be supplied.

Muscogee, James McKenry.

Asbury Manual Labor School, to be supplied.

## KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WINCHESTER, KY., September 5-12, 1877.

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; T. F. VANMETER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. J. W. Brock, J. S. Walker, J. W. Harris, S. W. Peeples, D. T. Hudson, S. S. Pentz, S. A. Day, William Shoesmith, J. G. Ragan, W. P. Taulbee, W. L. Stamper, Van Buren Daughetee, L. H. Boyle. 13.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? J. W. Hughes, A. Jones, J. M. Carter, T. W. Barker, J. S. Sims, J. J. Dickey, E. H. Pearce. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? J. F. Davis.

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Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? R. B. Owens, F. A. Savage, J. H. Williams, T. W. McIntyre. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? W. H. Anderson, D. A. Beardsley. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? W. H. Quisenberry, H. A. Smith, W. W. Spates, A. Redd, J. C. C. Newton, L. D. Shaw, R. H. Wright, C. F. Reid, J. W. Simmons. 9.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? R. B. Owens, F. A. Savage, T. W. McIntyre. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? R. B. Owens, F. A. Savage, T. W. McIntyre. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? J. M. Botts, J. M. Walter, E. Stivers, S. S. Pentz, T. W. Barker, J. W. Kendrick, A. C. Bird. 7.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? J. M. Botts, S. S. Pentz, T. W. Barker. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? W. H. H. Ditzler, J. E. Wright, T. J. McIntyre. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? W. H. H. Ditzler, J. E. Wright, T. J. McIntyre. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? T. J. Overstreet, I. T. Sams. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? I. T. Sams. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? T. W. McIntyre. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? S. No-land, E. P. Buckner, G. B. Poage. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. C. Crow, E. Johnson, J. C. Hardy, W. C. Atmore, W. B. Landrum, J. Strother, T. P. C. Shelman, W. McD. Abbett. 8.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? George W. Smith, James Holmes. 2.

GEORGE W. SMITH was born in the State of Ohio, March 29, 1838. His parents removed to Kentucky while he was very young. Trained up religiously, he united with the Church when about ten years of age, and was happily converted; when about eighteen he commenced preaching, and was admitted into the Kentucky Annual Conference at Winchester in 1856. He was not an idler in the vineyard, but diligent in reading, in study, in prayer, and very zealous in labors for the good of souls. He believed and professed the doctrine of perfect love, and beautifully exemplified it in his life and ministry. He believed with all his heart just what God says in his word, and with the artlessness of a child conformed in spirit and deportment to the same. Though a great sufferer from protracted affliction, he not only continued his labors as long as possible, but was singularly useful and greatly beloved by the people as a pastor. His last appointment was to Bloomfield and Beechfork, where he fell asleep March 19, 1877. Brother Smith married Miss Joanna McIntyre, of Fleming county, Kentucky, January 13, 1860. She and four children are left to mourn his death. The blessing of the Lord be upon them!

JAMES HOLMES was born in North Carolina, March 27, 1820. About 1850 he moved to Middle Tennessee, and joined the M. E. Church, South. In 1841 he was happily married to Miss Millie Lee, who shared with him his joys and sorrows until they were separated by death in the early part of the present year. He was licensed to preach June 17, 1854. He supplied circuits six years as a local preacher. In 1871 he was recommended to the Annual Conference for admission into the traveling connection, and was received, and appointed to the Jacksonville Mission. His second appointment was the Hardinsville Circuit, one year; third appointment, Irwin Circuit, one year; fourth appointment, Foster, one year; fifth appointment, Jacksonville Mission. Brother Holmes was ordained deacon October 7, 1860, and elder September 24, 1865. In Monroe, Green, and Ohio counties his labors were greatly blessed as a local preacher, especially in the last. In all his public ministry he was very careful to meet his appointments promptly, going through all kinds of weather cheerfully to do so. His health had been declining some time previous to his death. Just before Conference he sent for the writer to come and see him, and make out his report, and bear it to the Conference

for him. On a former visit he had expressed his great desire to meet once more with his brethren in an Annual Conference; but at this time he had entirely given up that hope, and decided to ask for a supernumerary relation, hoping that a rest of one year would build him up, and he could be effective again. About ten days before his death he grew rapidly worse, and realized the fact that his end was near. He said, "Tell my brethren that the same faith that sustained me in life sustains me in death." There seemed to be a holy calm resting upon his soul, holding his will in submission to the will of God in all things; and resting upon his shield of faith, he quietly awaited the appointed hour. He was buried beside his wife, in Franklin county, by the Masonic fraternity.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of W. A. G. Emmerson, who was expelled.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Lexington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lexington.....	321	.....	2
Paris.....	182	.....	.....
Frankfort.....	231	.....	1
Versailles.....	197	.....	1
Winchester.....	156	.....	.....
Mt. Zion.....	210	.....	3
Mt. Sterling.....	396	.....	1
North Middletown.....	120	.....	.....
Bourbon.....	110	.....	.....
Connorsville.....	529	.....	1
New Columbus.....	332	.....	2
Lawrenceburg.....	166	.....	2
Georgetown.....	129	.....	1
	3079	.....	14

#### Harrodsburg District.

Harrodsburg.....	125	.....	.....
Perryville.....	256	4	2
Mackville.....	349	.....	4
Nicholasville.....	182	.....	1
Danville.....	209	47	.....
Stanford.....	157	.....	1
Lancaster.....	63	.....	.....
Bryantsville.....	210	.....	.....
Richmond.....	114	.....	.....
College Hill.....	242	1	1
Jessamine.....	395	1	3
Somerset.....	190	.....	.....
Salvisa.....	325	.....	1
Anderson.....	226	.....	2
Chaplin.....	403	.....	1
	3448	53	16

#### Shelbyville District.

Shelbyville.....	146	.....	.....
Shelby Circuit.....	280	.....	1
Bloomfield.....	145	.....	.....
Simpsonville.....	231	.....	1
Milton.....	88	.....	.....
New Castle.....	186	1	3
Campbellsburg.....	284	.....	.....
Bedford.....	475	3	3
Floydsburg.....	197	.....	.....
Shiloh.....	51	.....	1
Taylorsville.....	310	1	1

#### Shelbyville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Springport.....	505	.....	3
Lagrange.....	240	.....	.....
Jacksonville.....	369	1	1
Lockport.....	213	.....	1
	3720	6	15

#### Covington District.

Covington.....	354	2	.....
Covington, Second Charge.....	74	.....	1
Newport.....	185	.....	1
Alexandria.....	600	1	2
Falmouth.....	325	1	2
Cynthiana.....	159	.....	.....
Oddville.....	621	.....	3
Canton.....	220	.....	1
Williamstown.....	240	.....	.....
Burlington.....	296	4	.....
Warsaw.....	210	.....	1
Carrollton.....	160	.....	.....
Worthville.....	142	.....	.....
Gratz.....	269	1	.....
Verona Mission.....	303	.....	1
	4158	9	13

#### Maysville District.

Maysville.....	270	.....	1
Washington.....	85	1	1
Brooks ville.....	285	.....	.....
Bracken Mission.....	234	.....	1
Germantown.....	400	.....	1
Shannon.....	237	.....	.....
Mt. Olivet.....	450	6	.....
Millersburg.....	185	.....	1
Carlisle.....	247	.....	5
Nicholas.....	200	.....	2
Sharpsburg.....	280	.....	.....
Owingsville.....	160	.....	2
Flemingsburg.....	208	.....	1
Hillsboro.....	339	2	2
Morehead.....	77	.....	1
Concord.....	221	.....	2
Vanceburg.....	150	.....	.....
Orangeburg.....	240	.....	.....
Tilton.....	203	.....	1
Sherburne Mission.....	100	.....	1
	4574	9	22

#### London Mission District.

London.....	312	.....	.....
West Liberty.....	216	4	3
Salysersville.....	100	1	2
Estill.....	274	.....	1
Stanton.....	240	1	1
Fishing Creek.....	279	.....	3
Hustonville.....	96	.....	1
Isabella.....	50	.....	.....
Barboursville.....	45	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant.....	180	10	1
Whitesburg.....	136	.....	2
Campton.....	270	.....	7
Jackson.....	206	1	2
Frenchburg.....	45	.....	1
	2440	17	24

#### Recapitulation.

Lexington District.....	3079	.....	14
Harrodsburg ".....	3448	53	16
Shelbyville ".....	3720	6	15
Covington ".....	4158	6	13
Maysville ".....	4574	9	22
London Mission ".....	2440	17	24
Total this year.....	21,419	93	104
Total last year.....	20,008	121	94
Increase.....	1,411	.....	10
Decrease.....		27	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 258.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,512.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 185.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,322.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 9,325.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$3,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,615.29. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$1,948.64; Domestic Missions, \$1,441.37. Total, \$3,390.01.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Shelbyville, Ky.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

*G. W. Merritt, P. E.*

Lexington, H. P. Walker.  
Fayette Mission, J. S. Walker.  
Paris, E. H. Pearce.  
Frankfort, J. W. Mitchell.  
South Frankfort, H. A. M. Henderson.  
Versailles and Mortonsville, F. W. Noland.  
Winchester and Ebenezer, G. C. Kelly.  
Mt. Zion, T. B. Cook.  
Mt. Sterling, E. L. Southgate.  
North Middletown, W. W. Spates.  
Leesburg Mission, J. W. Harris.  
Connersville, H. H. Kavanaugh.  
New Columbus, R. H. Wightman.  
Georgetown and Oxford, G. D. Turner.  
Midway and Keene, Morton Scott.  
Nicholasville, W. F. Taylor; S. Noland, Sup.  
Hutchinson Chapel, L. H. Boyle.

#### HARRODSBURG DISTRICT.

*D. Welburn, P. E.*

Harrodsburg, M. D. Reynolds.  
Perryville, T. F. Taliaferro.  
Danville, J. R. Deering.  
Lancaster Mission, S. S. Deering.  
Richmond and Providence, W. T. Rowland.  
College Hill, D. G. B. Demaree.  
Jessamine, J. E. Letton.  
Salvisa, W. F. Vaughn.  
Camdensville, W. P. Vaught, supply.  
Chaplin, H. A. Smith.  
Mackville, J. W. Simmons.  
Bloomfield, D. W. Robertson.  
Boyle Mission, H. M. Linney.  
Hardinsville, W. H. H. Ditzler.  
Lawrenceburg, S. S. Pentz.

#### SHELBYVILLE DISTRICT.

*J. W. Fitch, P. E.*

Shelbyville, J. Rand.  
Shelby Circuit, J. A. Henderson.

Simpsonville, D. B. Cooper.  
Taylorsville, R. Hiner.  
Newcastle, H. R. Coleman.  
Campbellsburg, W. H. Quisenberry.  
Springport, C. M. Humphrey.  
Bedford, J. C. Minor.  
Milton, W. J. Snively.  
Lagrange, T. J. McIntyre.  
Floydsburg, R. Deering.  
Shiloh and Glen Mary, T. F. Vanmeter.  
Jacksonville, P. E. Kavanaugh.  
Carrollton, W. T. Poynter.  
Gratz, L. D. Shaw.  
Forest Academy, B. H. McCown, J. N. Current.

#### COVINGTON DISTRICT.

*S. X. Hall, P. E.*

Scott Street, C. W. Miller; E. P. Buckner, Sup.  
Second Church, John Reeves.  
Newport, M. W. Hiner.  
Highland, D. A. Beardsley.  
Alexandria, W. D. Power.  
Falmouth, B. F. Bristow.  
Cynthiana, B. F. Sedwick.  
Oddville, R. Lancaster.  
Berryville, J. W. Brock.  
Canton, J. W. Hughes.  
Campbell Mission, T. E. Burr.  
Williamstown and James's Chapel, J. E. Wright.  
Williamstown Circuit, to be supplied.  
Burlington, A. Redd.  
Warsaw, George Froh.  
Elliston Mission, T. W. Barker.  
Worthville, J. H. Williams.  
Bracken, O. Long.  
Augusta, P. H. Hoffman.  
Germantown and Brooksville, W. H. Winter;  
G. B. Ponge, Sup.  
Williamstown Female College, G. C. Overstreet.  
District Superintendent of American Bible Society, G. S. Savage.

#### MAYSVILLE DISTRICT.

*S. L. Robertson, P. E.*

Maysville, C. Taylor.  
Washington and Hebron, J. J. Dickey.  
Shannon and Sardis, W. T. Benton.  
Mt. Olivet, D. H. Marimon.  
Millersburg, W. H. Anderson, H. W. Abbett.  
Carlisle, Morris Evans.  
Nicholas, J. M. Carter.  
Sharpsburg and Bethel, W. B. Godbey.  
Owingsville, J. A. Caywood.  
Concord, F. A. Savage.  
Vanceburg, J. S. Sims.  
Orangeburg, J. H. Young.  
Flemingsburg, T. J. Godbey.  
Hillsboro, J. C. C. Newton.  
Tilton, S. W. Spear.  
Sherburne Mission, S. A. Day.  
Kentucky Wesleyan College, W. H. Anderson,  
President; T. N. Ralston, Professor Biblical  
Literature.  
Millersburg Female College, G. T. Gould, Pres-  
ident; G. N. Buffington, Agent.  
Vanderbilt University, T. J. Dodd, Professor of  
Hebrew.

## IRVINE DISTRICT.

*J. J. Johnston, P. E.*

Irvine, J. W. Wightman.  
 Stanton, D. T. Hudson.  
 B. River Mission, Talton Powell, supply.  
 Frenchburg Mission, V. Daughetee.  
 Morehead Mission, J. E. Clark, supply.  
 West Liberty, W. P. Taulbee.  
 Salyersville, C. F. Oney, supply.  
 Campton, J. F. Wilson, supply.  
 Jackson, R. W. Landrum, supply.  
 Hazard, T. C. Higgins, supply.  
 Whitesburg Mission, W. L. Stamper.  
 Breathitt, S. P. Chandler, supply.  
 New Harlan Mission, James McLemore, supply.

## STANFORD DISTRICT.

*W. W. Chamberlin, P. E.*

Stanford, J. R. Peeples.  
 Somerset, C. F. Reid.  
 Mt. Vernon, G. G. Ragan, supply.  
 London Mission, Alexander Jones.  
 Barboursville Mission, W. Shoesmith.  
 Mt. Pleasant Mission, J. G. Ragan.  
 Hustonville Mission, R. B. Owen.  
 Fishing Creek, J. L. Godbey, supply.  
 Science Hill Mission, S. W. Peeples.  
 Isabella Mission, J. S. Kelley, supply.  
 Williamsburg, Cook Faulkner, supply.

W. C. Hayes transferred to Louisville Conference.

## LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MONTICELLO, ARK., *December 5-10, 1877.*BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; S. G. COLBURN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James R. Moore, Bascom Monk, William M. Crowson, Richard P. Wilson, Josephus A. Biggs, John R. Cason. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Euphrates Garrett, James C. Biglow, Lewis B. Hawley, Richard M. Traylor, Lewis M. Keith. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Thomas M. Naake, Robert M. Hamilton (at his own request). 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Jacob D. Whitesides, Robert W. Evans, Amariah C. Biggs, Houston Armstrong, John J. Jenkins, Theophilus P. Minor, Edward M. Whitmore. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? William H. Vaughn. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? William H. Hagan. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? De Jalma Leake, William W. Vaughn, P. W. Preston, Barney E. Mitchell, James C. Rhodes. 5.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Jacob D. Whitesides, Robert W. Evans, Houston Armstrong, John J. Jenkins, Edward M. Whitmore, John R. Cason. 6.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Jacob D. Whitesides, Robert W. Evans, Houston Armstrong, Edward Whitmore, John R. Cason. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? John G. Rowland, James B. Hill, John B. Thomas. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? William F. Newton, Henry B. Rowles. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? William C. Dunn. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? William C. Dunn. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? G. W. Duncan, A. Clowers (at their own request). 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? W. J. Scott, Joseph Turrentine, J. M. Cline. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. H. Blakeley, J. E. Coldwell, A. Avery, Thomas Hunt, Bezaleel C. Weir, Author W. Simmons, C. M. Slover. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Robert B. Alston, James Sanford. 2. (No memoirs.)

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? Members, 16,105; local preachers, 170. (No details.)

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 631.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,147.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 211.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,100.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 8,250.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1,740.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,234.45. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? \$1,699.68.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Hot Springs, Ark.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

*A. Hunter, P. E.*

Second Street, L. M. Lewis.

Spring Street, Alonzo Monk.

Collegeville Circuit, J. C. Rhodes; J. M. Cline, Sup.

Maunelle Circuit, L. M. Keith.

Little Rock Circuit, DeJalma Leake.

Lonoke, S. G. Colburn.

Austin Circuit, F. M. Winburn.

Hickory Plain Circuit, W. R. Gardner.

Carlisle Circuit, J. R. Moore.

White River Circuit, W. J. Rogers.

DeWitt and Little Prairie, R. H. Sanders.

Little Prairie, to be supplied.

Arkansas Female College, L. M. Lewis.

#### PINE BLUFF DISTRICT

*W. H. Browning, P. E.*

Main Street, C. F. Evans.

West End, A. D. Jenkins.

Plum Bayou Circuit, C. D. McSwain.

Swan Lake, to be supplied (by A. West).

Auburn Circuit, T. P. Minor.

Star City, J. R. Cason.

Lehi Circuit, J. C. Biglow.

Toledo Circuit, R. W. Evans.

Benton Circuit, S. N. Burns.

New Edinburg, James A. Anderson.

Mount Olivet Academy, J. P. Holmes.

#### ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.

*B. G. Johnson, P. E.*

Arkadelphia, C. Pope.

Clark Circuit, A. B. Winfield.

South Fork Mission, R. M. Traylor.

Tulip, W. J. Davis.

Princeton, R. C. Atchley.

Malvern Circuit, George Hare.

Hot Springs, A. R. Winfield.

Hot Springs Circuit, B. E. Mitchell.

Mount Ida, E. Garrett.

Amity, D. T. Holmes.

Murfreesboro, to be supplied (by George Logan); W. J. Scott, Sup.

#### CAMDEN DISTRICT.

*D. H. Linebaugh, P. E.*

Camden, C. C. Godden.

Camden Circuit, E. L. Goddy.

Ouachita Circuit, Thomas N. Ware.

Falcon Circuit, J. M. G. Douglas.

Lewisville Mission, to be supplied.

Magnolia Circuit, H. H. Watson.

Eldorado Circuit, A. C. Biggs.

Lapeal Circuit, William M. Crowson.

Hampton, J. H. Baird, supply.

#### MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

*E. N. Watson, P. E.*

Monticello, Horace Jewell.

Mount Pleasant Circuit, F. D. Vanvalkenburg.

Selma Circuit, W. H. Hagan.

Lacy Circuit, John W. Haskew.

Palestine Circuit, J. A. Biggs.

Warren Circuit, John F. Carr.

Hamburg, W. H. Vaughn.

Hamburg Circuit, W. C. Dunn.

Bartholomew Circuit, J. R. Sherwood.

Poplar Bluff and Beech Creek, John J. Jenkins.

Endora Circuit, Bascom Monk.

Arkansas City and Luna Mission, John Pryor.

Warren High School, John H. Riggins.

#### WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

*James Atkins, P. E.*

Washington Circuit, John McLouchlan.

Prescott, J. R. Harvey.

Hope, C. O. Steele.

Mineral Springs Circuit, H. D. McKennon.

Center Point Circuit, George W. Mathews.

Saline Circuit, R. P. Wilson.

Dallas Circuit, J. D. Whitesides.

Ultima Thule, to be supplied (by John W. Eads).

Locksburg, Z. T. McCann.

Richmond and Rocky Comfort, L. B. Hawley.

Little River Circuit, E. M. Whitmore.

Texarkana, H. Townsend.

Bright Star, H. Armstrong.

Prescott High School, Thomas W. Hays.

## LOS ANGELES CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LOS ANGELES, CAL., October 25-29, 1877.

BISHOP McTYEIRE, *President*; MILLARD J. LAW, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William D. King. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Ralph H. Amon. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Albert B. Gill. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? George D. Butler, John W. Allen. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Thomas R. Curtis. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Alonzo M. Campbell, Thomas R. Curtis. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Albert B. Gill. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Albert B. Gill. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Millard F. Grove, James M. Rogers, Wilson F. Hatsel, Richard G. Franklin. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Millard F. Grove, James M. Rogers, Richard G. Franklin. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Franklin McKean. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Alonzo M. Campbell, Louis J. Hedgpeth. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? M. W. Glover, Joseph E. Miller. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

*Los Angeles District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Los Angeles.....	75	2	1
Los Nietos .....	164	.....	4
El Monte and New River Circuit.....	182	1	3
Santa Ana Circuit.....	215	1	9
San Bernardino.....	65	.....	.....
Wilmington.....	23	1	3
Julian Circuit.....	29	.....	.....
	753	5	20

*Santa Barbara District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Carpenteria.....	43	.....	2
San Luis Obispo Circuit .....	103	.....	3
Santa Clara Circuit.....	31	.....	.....
Weldon Circuit.....	31	.....	.....
Tehichipa Circuit.....	7	.....	.....
	215	.....	5

*Arizona District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Salt River Circuit.....	30	.....	1
Prescott.....	32	1	.....
Verde Circuit.....	13	.....	.....
	75	1	1

*Recapitulation.*

Los Angeles District.....	753	5	20
Santa Barbara " .....	215	.....	5
Arizona " .....	75	1	1
Total this year.....	1,043	6	26
Total last year .....	996	.....	22
Increase.....	47	6	4

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 59.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 33.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 12.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 92.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 687.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$250.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$97.45. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$122.90; Domestic Missions, \$42. Total, \$164.90.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? San Bernardino, Cal.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## LOS ANGELES DISTRICT.

W. B. Kavanaugh, P. E.

Los Angeles, M. J. Law; A. M. Campbell, Sup.  
 Los Nietos, L. A. Smith.  
 New River, William Moores.  
 Anaheim, P. O. Clayton.  
 Santa Ana, H. W. Featherstun.  
 Spadra, R. H. Amon.  
 San Bernardino, D. L. Cogdell.

Julian, Thomas Brown.  
 Wilmington, to be supplied.  
 Prescott, Thomas R. Curtis.  
 Menix, Alexander Groves; L. J. Hedgpeth,  
 S. p.

## SAN LUIS OBISPO DISTRICT.

*J. W. Allen, P. E.*

San Luis Obispo, J. W. Craig.  
 Gaudalupe, G. E. Butler.

Lumpoc, J. W. Leach.  
 Cambria, William D. King.  
 Telichipa and Weldon, Abram Adams.  
 Carpenteria, S. M. Adams.  
 Santa Clara, A. B. Gill.  
 Santa Barbara, to be supplied.  
 Ventura, to be supplied.

William Monk transferred to West Texas  
 Conference.

## LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT OPELOUSAS, LA., *December 12-17, 1877.*

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; CHRISTIAN KEENER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
 ANSWER. R. M. Blocker, James A. Biggs, Tiff  
 Foster, Patrick Calvin. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? S. H. Wer-  
 lein, Thomas J. Hough, T. K. Faunt Le Roy, J.  
 B. Cassidy, J. L. P. Sheppard, D. A. Boddie,  
 Abel Hoffpanir. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-  
 tion? None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from  
 other Conferences? John Hannon, J. T. Gram-  
 ham. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?  
 None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elect-  
 ed deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ord-  
 ained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected  
 deacons? R. M. Blocker, D. L. Mitchell, Will-  
 iam Warner, John Odum. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained  
 deacons? R. M. Blocker, William Warner,  
 John Odum. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elect-  
 ed elders? J. W. Hearn, T. S. Randle. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ord-  
 ained elders? John W. Hearn, Thomas S.  
 Randle. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected  
 elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained  
 elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Silas H.  
 Cooper, Samuel H. Schroeder, William R.  
 Whately, A. G. Miller, J. M. Franklin. 5.

Ques. 18. Who are supernumerary? H. C.  
 Thweatt, J. S. Davis, W. E. Doty, E. W. Yan-  
 cey, Philo M. Goodwyn, Joel Saunders, Philip  
 H. Dittenweirth, J. C. Reid, Jesse Fulton. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during  
 the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in  
 their life and official administration? Their  
 names were called over, one by one, and their  
 characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preach-  
 ers and members in the several circuits, sta-  
 tions, and missions of the Conference?

*New Orleans District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Carondelet Street.....	565	5	3
Felicity Street.....	383	4	1
St. Charles Avenue.....	136	.....	.....
Moreau Street.....	92	.....	.....
Louisiana Avenue.....	134	.....	.....
Algiers.....	128	.....	.....
Lafourche Mission.....	81	.....	.....
Plaquemine and Grosse Tete.....	37	.....	.....
Baton Rouge.....	251	.....	.....
	1807	9	4

*Delhi District.*

Monroe and Delhi.....	222	.....	1
Trenton.....	180	.....	1
Bastrop.....	134	.....	1
Lind Grove.....	240	.....	1
Oak Ridge.....	80	.....	.....
Rayville.....	208	1	.....
Winnboro.....	228	.....	1
Oakley.....	192	1	.....
Waterproof and St. Joseph.....	73	.....	1
Tensas.....	77	.....	.....
Floyd.....	300	.....	5
Lake Providence and Pecan Grove.....	57	.....	1
	1991	2	12

*Homer District.*

Homer.....	386	.....	3
Lisbon.....	358	.....	4
Haynesville.....	323	.....	2
Minden.....	279	.....	.....
Sparta.....	280	.....	3
Areadia.....	369	.....	1
Vernon.....	520	.....	1
Indian Village.....	337	.....	3

*Homer District (continued).*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lewisville.....	173	.....	.....
Downsville.....	525	.....	.....
Farmerville.....	190	.....	.....
Webster.....	200	.....	1
	3940	.....	18

*Shreveport District.*

Shreveport.....	178	.....	.....
Mooringsport.....	79	.....	1
Caddo.....	262	.....	.....
Logansport Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
De Soto.....	248	.....	.....
Mansfield.....	142	.....	1
Pleasant Hill.....	531	.....	3
Natchitoches and St. Maurice.....	48	.....	.....
Natchitoches Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Anacoco and Leesville.....	300	1	6
Springville.....	196	.....	3
East Point and Lindsay's Chapel.....	.....	.....	.....
South Bossier.....	183	.....	1
North Bossier.....	145	.....	1
	2312	1	16

*Alexandria District.*

Alexandria and Pineville.....	100	.....	.....
Rapides.....	375	5	3
Montgomery.....	223	6	2
Harrisonburg and Sicily Island.....	216	15	1
Centerville.....	419	40	2
Columbia.....	355	.....	3
Castor.....	96	.....	1
Saline.....	.....	.....	.....
Colfax.....	134	1	1
Bayou Boeuf.....	125	.....	2
Evergreen.....	200	.....	.....
Spring Creek.....	248	.....	4
	2491	67	19

*Opelousas District.*

Opelousas.....	100	.....	2
Washington.....	151	.....	.....
Vermilionville and Plaq. Brulee.....	168	.....	.....
Grand Coteau.....	40	.....	.....
Abbeville.....	96	.....	.....
Pauperville.....	880	.....	1
New Iberia.....	227	.....	.....
Franklin.....	134	.....	.....
Pattersonville and Morgan City.....	100	.....	1
Lake Charles.....	75	.....	.....
Grand Chenier.....	120	10	1
Sugar Town.....	210	.....	2
Calcasieu Mission.....	71	.....	.....
	2382	10	7

*Recapitulation.*

New Orleans District.....	1807	9	4
Delhi.....	1991	2	12
Homer.....	3940	.....	18
Shreveport.....	2312	1	16
Alexandria.....	2491	67	19
Opelousas.....	2382	10	7
Total this year.....	14,923	89	76
Total last year.....	13,990	.....	81
Increase.....	933	89	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	5

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 617.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 794.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 119.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 791.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 5,237.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$3,380.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,983. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$2,487.95; Domestic Missions, \$780.65. Total, \$3,268.60.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? New Orleans, La.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.

*Linus Parker, P. E.*

Carondelet Street, John Mathews.

Felicity Street, Joseph B. Walker.

St. Charles Avenue, John Hannon.

Moreau Street, Tiff Foster; S. H. Schroeder, Sup.

Louisiana Avenue, S. H. Werlein.

Algiers, to be supplied.

Lafourche Mission, Lewis A. Reed.

Baton Rouge, J. T. Sawyer.

Plaquemine and Grosse Tete, T. K. Faunt Le Roy.

Editor *New Orleans Christian Advocate*, Linus Parker.

New Orleans Book Depository, R. J. Harp.

South-western Bible Society, James A. Ivy.

Baton Rouge Institute for the Blind, Pat. Lane.

## DELHI DISTRICT.

*James L. Wright, P. E.*

Monroe and Delhi, P. H. Moss, J. Lane Borden.

Trenton, C. W. Carter.

Bastrop, Henry O. White.

Lind Grove, W. P. Owen.

Oak Ridge, N. S. Cornell.

Rayville, Thomas H. McClendon.

Winnsboro, B. F. Alexander.

Oakley, James M. McKee.

Waterproof, J. T. Graham.

Tensas Mission, to be supplied.

Tensas Chapel, A. M. Wailes.

Lake Providence and Pecan Grove, R. S. Trippett.

Floyd, Thomas S. Randle.

Madison, to be supplied.

## HOMER DISTRICT.

*Joseph H. Stone, P. E.*

Homer, James A. Parker.

Lisbon, Robert Parvin.

Haynesville, John A. Miller.

Minden, James E. Bradley.

Sparta, R. M. Crowson.

Arcadia, Thomas J. Upton.

Vernon, A. A. Cornett.

Indian Village, Robert T. Parish

Rochester, to be supplied (by F. T. Rawson).

Downsville, John F. Patterson.

Farmerville, C. W. Hodge.  
Webster, Whitmel P. Kimball.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

*Robert Randle, P. E.*

Shreveport, Joel T. Daves.  
Mooringsport, R. A. Davis.  
Caddo, J. M. Johnston.  
Logansport Mission, John Pipes.  
De Soto, George M. Liverman.  
Mansfield, J. M. Brown.  
Pleasant Hill, John B. Cassidy; J. M. Franklin, Sup.  
Natchitoches, Thomas J. Hough.  
Natchitoches Circuit, to be supplied (by J. A. Monroe).  
Anacoco, Robert M. Blocker.  
Springville, W. D. Stayton.  
East Point, to be supplied.  
South Bossier, Joseph W. Medlock.  
North Bossier, William Hart.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

*Christian Keener, P. E.*

Alexandria and Pineville, to be supplied.  
Rapides, John L. P. Sheppard.  
Montgomery, Philip Allen.  
Harrisonburg and Sicily Island, C. R. Godfrey.

Centerville, David A. Boddie; W. R. Whately, Sup.

Trinity, George Jackson.  
Columbia, John F. Wynn.  
Castor, James A. Biggs.  
Bayou Boeuf, Felix G. Hocutt; S. H. Cooper, Sup.  
Evergreen, Frederick White.  
Spring Creek, John W. Hearn.

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.

*Jacob D. Harper, P. E.*

Opelousas, J. J. Billingsley.  
Grand Coteau, J. V. Pointer.  
Washington, R. S. Isbell.  
Vermilionville and Plaquemine Brulee, Baxter Clegg.  
Abbeville, Enos B. Foust.  
Indian Bayou, Abel Hoffpanir.  
New Iberia, M. C. Manley, James E. Cobb.  
Franklin, B. F. White.  
Pattersonville and Morgan City, Alfred E. Clay.  
Lake Charles, J. F. Scurlock.  
Grand Chenier, George T. Freeman.  
Sugar Town, P. Galvin.  
Calcasieu Mission, to be supplied (by W. Pilley.)

A. E. Goodwyn transferred to Texas Conference.

LOUISVILLE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT HENDERSON, KY., *September 26 to October 2, 1877.*

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; DAVID MORTON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. John J. Tigert, Gross Alexander, William F. Cashman, Robert W. Browder, James M. Dempsey, John W. Walton, James T. Rushing, James W. Bigham, Samuel A. Link. 9.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Charles M. Caldwell, John P. Hogard, Edward H. Morrison, Henry H. Hullett, Virgil Elgin, Jesse F. Pike, George T. Clawson, James V. Guthrie, Buford A. Snoddy, Samuel P. Hulse, J. A. Miller, Jesse L. Murrell. 12.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Joseph C. Norman, jr., John M. Crow. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? William C. Slate, Jesse Board. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Benjamin F. Orr. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Aleri A. Morrison, David Morton, William C. Hayes, William H. Hagan. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Samuel A. Feltner, Eldred E. Pate, Jacob D. Sigler, John W. Bowan, James W. Bunton, Cassius

H. Dowell, Joseph C. Norman, sr., Joshua G. Freeman, Leonard Ames, Daniel L. Collie. 10.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Jesse Board. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Jesse Board. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Simeon Bramlette, William P. Peck, Albert H. Rather, John Brown, George E. Fokett, John F. Keen, George E. Whitley, John M. Wolf, Robert A. English. 9.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? William P. Peck. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Littleton Hullett, George Needham, Wesley C. Brandon, George H. Means, Thomas G. Fallin. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Littleton Hullett, George Needham, Wesley C. Brandon, George H. Means, Thomas G. Fallin. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Thomas H. Shaw, Jesse Harper Reece. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained

elders? Thomas H. Shaw, Hardin H. Murrell. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Wesley C. Brandon. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? H. N. Hobbs, J. C. Norman, sr., R. D. Bennett, J. J. Ruddell, F. M. Rose, W. W. Mann, W. T. Reid. 7.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? A. C. Dewitt, W. F. Harwell, R. B. McCown, Thomas Bottomley, A. McCown, J. D. Barnett, R. Fisk, T. M. Penick. 8.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? J. H. Linn. 1.

JOHN H. LINN, D.D., was born at Lewisburg, Greenbrier county, Va., A.D. 1812. He was brought up in extreme poverty, being dependent on the public school and kindness of friends for his education, which was as thorough as the best schools of the day could afford, embracing not only the English branches, but also Latin and Greek. He was brought up in the Old Presbyterian Church; but, not being able to receive the Calvinistic theology, when he made a profession of religion he united with the Methodist Church. He had been impressed from childhood that he would be a preacher of the gospel, and after his conversion, after passing through a most painful conflict, he was licensed to preach, and recommended to be admitted into the traveling connection in the Baltimore Conference in 1835. The Conference being very full, however, he was not admitted, but employed by Rev. Norval Wilson as junior preacher on the Franklin Circuit, with James M. Green as preacher in charge. In 1836 he was admitted into the traveling connection and reappointed to the Franklin Circuit, with F. M. Mills as his colleague. In 1837 he was appointed to the Lexington Circuit, with G. W. Humphrey as his colleague. In the spring of 1838 he was transferred to the Kentucky Conference, and was appointed to the Georgetown Circuit to fill a vacancy caused by the death of the lamented Thomas H. Gibbons. In the fall of 1838 he was reappointed to the Georgetown Circuit. In 1839 he was appointed to the city of Maysville. In 1840 he was stationed at Fourth Street in the city of Louisville. In 1841 he was stationed at Harrodsburg and Danville. In 1842 he was transferred to the Missouri Conference and stationed at Centenary Church in the city of St. Louis for two years. In 1844 he was appointed agent of St. Charles College. Early in the year, however, the agency was abandoned, the college being suspended on account of the death of Dr. Fielding, the president. In the winter of 1844, with a view to the health of his wife, he visited the city of New Orleans. While there a vacancy having occurred in the pastorate of Poydras Street Church, he was appointed to fill the vacancy. Early in April of 1845, being notified of his appointment as one of the commissioners to adjust the difficulties between the M. E. Church and the Southern Conference, he returned to the city of Louisville to meet the other commissioners. In

1845 he was appointed to the city of Hannibal in the Missouri Conference. In 1846 he was transferred to the St. Louis Conference and stationed at Jefferson City. In 1847 and 1848 he was stationed at Fourth Street, St. Louis. In 1849 he was transferred to the Louisville Conference and stationed at Fourth Street, Louisville, for two years. In 1851 he was transferred to the Kentucky Conference and stationed for two years at Soule Chapel, Cincinnati. In 1853 and 1854 he was stationed at Frankfort, Ky.; in 1855 at Danville; in 1856 and 1857 at Lexington; in 1858 and 1859 at Shelbyville. In 1860 he was transferred to the Louisville Conference and stationed at Walnut Street, Louisville; in 1861 and 1862 at Brook Street; in 1863 at Eighth Street; in 1864 at Chestnut Street; in 1865 and 1866 at Brook Street; in 1867 and 1868 at Broadway. During the Conference year, in the spring of 1869, he was transferred to the Baltimore Conference and stationed for two years at Central Church in the city of Baltimore. In 1871 he was transferred to the St. Louis Conference and stationed for two years at Centenary Church in the city of St. Louis. In 1874 he was transferred to the Louisville Conference and stationed for two years at Chestnut Street in the city of Louisville. In 1876 he was appointed to the Louisville District as presiding elder, and died in great peace, December 7, 1876, in the sixty-fourth year of his age and in the forty-first year of his ministry. Shortly before his last return to Kentucky he had had a slight attack of paralysis, from the effects of which he never recovered. It was hoped that on a district, being freed from the pastoral work, he would recuperate. This hope, however, proved to be vain. The disease returned upon him with increased violence. He had several severe attacks by which he was utterly prostrated physically; and for most of the time he was deprived of the use of his mental powers. In the few lucid intervals, however, he was enabled to give to his family and to his numerous friends the assurance that he was ready "to depart and be with Christ." Looking back, he could feel that he had fought a good fight, had finished his course, and had kept the faith; and looking forward, he could realize that a crown of righteousness was laid up for him, which the Lord the righteous Judge would give him in that day. Dr. Linn was a truly converted and holy man. He was surely called of God to the Christian ministry. He was a sound theologian. He was an uncompromising Methodist, both in doctrine and discipline; and at the same time, and for this reason, he was a catholic Christian, loving all the people of God, and associating with them upon the most intimate terms. He was a faithful minister of Christ. He defended the truth, he exposed error, he denounced sin among all classes. Dr. Linn was a man of a very high order of genius. While in the prime of life he possessed in a very high degree the reproductive power, combined with the comparative faculty, which invested him with the highest degree of the creative imagination. All that he had ever known in nature, in art, in

science, in philosophy, or history, he could reproduce and make available to the illustration and enforcement of divine truth. His discourses were often a combination of the overwhelmingly sublime and of the transcendently beautiful. Though possessing a princely presence he was not in the highest sense an orator. His voice was strong and masculine, but lacked flexibility and music; it was indeed a deep bass monotone. But, though he lacked most of the qualities of an orator, he was in a very high sense "an eloquent man." He spoke out of the heart and reached the hearts of his hearers, and so captivated them that, for the time, he had complete control of them. He excelled more as a rhetorician than as a logician. He had just enough of logic to open the way for his wonderful rhetorical appeals. In the death of Dr. Linn, "a prince and a great man is fallen among us." But our comfort is that having fulfilled the ministry which he had received from the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God, he has finished his course with joy, and has gone to receive his reward. "Though dead, he yet speaketh."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

*Louisville District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Walnut Street.....	463	1	1
Broadway.....	413		5
Chestnut Street.....	375		
Shelby Street.....	397		5
Jefferson Street.....	382		2
City Mission, Asbury.....	100		1
Portland and West Broadway.....	75		
Bethel.....	65		1
Jeffersonville.....	164		1
Jeffersontown.....	370		2
Louisville Circuit.....	227		1
Middletown.....	140		
	3171	1	19

*Elizabethtown District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Elizabethtown.....	150		1
Big Spring Circuit.....	370	15	
Brandenburg.....	340		
Hardinsburg.....	373		3
Litchfield.....	355	1	4
Bear Creek Mission.....	20		
Caneyville.....	130		
West Point.....	292	2	2
Shepherdsville.....	226		1
Belmont.....	70		
Hudsonville.....	475		6
Bacon Creek.....	378		2
Stephensburg.....	460		2
Wolf Creek.....	38		1
	3677	18	22

*Owensboro District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Owensboro.....	238		
Owensboro Circuit.....	185		
Yelvington.....	272		4
Calhoun.....	322		2
Livermore.....	251		1

*Owensboro District (continued).*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Whiteville.....	204		1
Hartford.....	526		2
Hawesville.....	211		1
Lewisport.....	275		4
Cromwell.....	334		2
Cloverport.....	168		
	2986		17

*Henderson District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Henderson.....	142		2
Corydon.....	514		3
Morganfield.....	280		3
Caseyville.....	258		2
Madisonville.....	400		5
Slaughtersville.....	412		3
Sacramento.....	282		4
Greenville.....	550		3
Dixon.....	171		
Spottsville.....	154		
Sebree City.....	280		3
	3443		28

*Princeton District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Princeton and Eddyville.....	220		1
Eddyville Circuit.....	316		
Smithland.....	90		
Smithland Circuit.....	281		4
Carrsville.....	207		1
Marion.....	611		6
Hurricane Mission.....	20		
Princeton Circuit.....	160		1
Parkersville.....	357		2
Cadiz and Bethel.....	267		2
Mt. Zion.....	195		1
Lafayette.....	136		
Crofton.....	137		5
Canton.....	187		1
	3184		24

*Russellville District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Russellville.....	254		1
Adairsville.....	348		
Allensville.....	63		1
Olmstead.....	245		2
Henryville.....	490		1
Auburn.....	363	1	2
Elkton.....	264		2
Trenton.....	178		1
Fairview.....	347		2
Todd.....	198		2
Hopkinsville.....	194		1
Nortonville.....	85		2
	3029	1	17

*Bowling Green District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Bowling Green.....	229		1
Franklin.....	181		
Smith's Grove.....	235		2
Glasgow and Walnut Hill.....	191		1
New Roe.....	462		5
Scottsville.....	842	1	9
Bowling Green Circuit.....	331	1	4
Morgantown.....	416		3
Brownsville.....	381		4
Franklin.....	440		2
	3708	2	31

*Lebanon District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Springfield.....	80		1
Lebanon.....	92		
Bradfordsville.....	247		
New Haven.....	340	8	
Campbellsville.....	578		1
Greensburg.....	294		1
Mt. Lebanon.....	225		1
Munfordville.....	320	2	2
Buffalo.....	308		
Hodgenville.....	341		1
Bardstown and Stoner's Chapel.....	133		1
	3058	10	8

## Columbia District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbia.....	227	.....	1
Gradyville.....	390	.....	3
Burksville.....	262	.....	2
Edmonton.....	217	.....	.....
Temple Hill.....	315	1	1
Tompkinsville.....	310	.....	4
Wayne.....	280	.....	3
Monticello.....	227	.....	2
Albany.....	401	.....	3
Creelsboro.....	253	.....	3
Jamestown.....	372	.....	7
Caverna.....	275	.....	1
Cumberland.....	640	.....	7
	4169	1	37

## Recapitulation.

Louisville District .....	3171	1	19
Elizabethtown " .....	3677	18	22
Owensboro " .....	2986	.....	17
Henderson " .....	3443	.....	28
Princeton " .....	3184	.....	24
Russellville " .....	3029	1	17
Bowling Green " .....	3708	2	31
Lebanon " .....	3058	10	8
Columbia " .....	4169	1	37
Total this year .....	30,425	33	203
Total last year.....	30,164	30	201
Increase.....	261	3	2

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 704.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,335.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 215.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,419.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 10,748.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$3,650.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,724.20. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$1,699.05; Domestic Missions, \$2,143.86. Total, \$3,842.91.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Cadiz, Ky.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.

N. H. Lee, P. E.

Louisville: Walnut Street, J. C. Morris.

Broadway, H. C. Morrison.

Chestnut Street, B. M. Messick.

West Broadway, to be supplied.

Shelby Street, J. P. Goodson.

Jefferson Street, J. M. Lawson.

Portland, G. Alexander.

Shippingport, to be supplied.

Bethel, J. J. Tigert.

Asbury, to be supplied.

Jeffersonville, G. W. Brush.

Louisville Circuit, M. N. Lasley.

Mount Holly, J. M. Dempsey.

Middletown, G. W. Lyon.

Agent Southern Methodist Publishing House,  
A. H. Redford.

Agent Widows' and Orphans' Home, C. D. Donaldson.

## ELIZABETHTOWN DISTRICT.

T. G. Harrison, P. E.

Elizabethtown, H. M. Ford.

West Point Circuit, W. H. Hagan

Bradenburg, C. Y. Boggess.

Big Spring, L. Ames.

Hardinsburg, W. W. Lambuth.

Caneyville, J. W. Taylor.

Long Grove, A. G. Fraser.

Bacon Creek, G. T. Clawson.

Wolf Creek, W. F. Cashman.

Hodgenville, D. S. Campbell; H. N. Hobbs,  
Sup.

Litchfield, C. M. Caldwell.

Bear Creek, to be supplied (by B. T. Taylor).

Hudsonville, W. R. Godbey.

## OWENSBORO DISTRICT.

S. C. Allen, P. E.

Owensboro, H. C. Settle.

Owensboro Circuit, L. B. Davison.

Yelvington, M. M. Hunter.

Calhoun, W. L. Corbin.

Livermore, M. A. Nantz.

Whitesville Mission, B. D. Griffin.

Hartford, W. W. Cook; R. D. Bennett, Sup.

Hawesville, J. W. Shelton; J. C. Norman, Sup.

Lewisport, T. G. Fallin.

Rockport, V. P. Thomas.

Cloverport, J. L. Edrington.

## HENDERSON DISTRICT.

G. H. Hayes, P. E.

Henderson, D. Spurrier.

Corydon, J. C. Petree.

Morganfield, G. B. Overton.

Caseyville, R. C. Love.

Madisonville, J. S. McDaniel.

Slaughtersville, S. H. Lovelace.

Sacramento, W. C. Hayes.

Greenville, R. C. Alexander.

Dixon, D. L. Collie.

Spottsville, G. Needham.

Sebree City, E. Thurman.

## PRINCETON DISTRICT.

T. G. Bosley, P. E.

Princeton and Mount Zion, P. T. Hardison.

Princeton Mission, J. T. Rushing.

Marion Circuit, B. A. Cundiff; J. W. Bigham.

Hurricane Mission, to be supplied (by J. T. Yates).

Carrsville, S. A. Link.

Smithland, W. B. Crichlow.

Smithland Circuit, J. A. Miller.

Eddyville, E. R. Harrison.

Ketawa, W. T. Reid, Sup.

Parkersville, John P. Hogard.

Cadiz and Bethel, J. A. Lewis.

Canton, T. I. Richardson.  
Lafayette, J. F. Redford.  
Crofton, W. W. Mann, Sup.

# RUSSELLVILLE DISTRICT.

*I. W. Emerson, P. E.*

Russellville, J. B. Cottrell.  
Adairville, T. C. Peters.  
Allensville, T. D. Lewis.  
Olmstead, B. F. Biggs.  
Henryville, J. W. Price.  
Elkton, E. W. Bottomley.  
Trenton, V. Elgin.  
Fairview, W. T. Moore.  
Todd, W. Alexander.  
Hopkinsville, J. W. Lewis.  
Educational Agent, David Morton.

# BOWLING GREEN DISTRICT.

*G. R. Browder, P. E.*

Bowling Green, S. R. Brewer.  
Bowling Green Circuit, S. L. Lee.  
Franklin, E. E. Pate.  
Franklin Circuit, R. Y. Thomas.  
New Roe, J. C. Brandon.  
Scottsville, W. C. Slate; F. M. Rose, Sup.  
Glasgow and Dover, R. W. Browder.  
Smith's Grove, J. R. Dempsey; J. J. Ruddell, Sup.  
Morgantown, J. Board.  
Brownsville Mission, J. W. Bunton.  
Auburn, T. C. Frbge, J. W. Bowan.

# LEBANON DISTRICT.

*E. M. Crow, P. E.*

Bardstown, T. J. Randolph.  
Springfield, L. E. Campbell.

Lebanon, J. S. Scobee.  
Bradfordsville, W. T. Davenport.  
New Haven, G. S. King.  
Campbellsville, B. F. Orr.  
Mannsville, G. F. Cundiff.  
Greensburg, J. S. Keen.  
Munfordville, G. H. Means.  
Caverna, S. L. Murrell.  
Buffalo, L. Hullett.  
Jeffersontown, S. Newton.  
Shepherdsville, J. M. Philips.  
Belmont Mission, to be supplied.

# COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

*J. S. McGee, P. E.*

Columbia Circuit, G. W. Crumbaugh.  
Gradyville, J. W. Love.  
Burksville, D. S. Bowles.  
Edmonton, B. A. Snoddy.  
Temple Hill, H. H. Hullett.  
Summer Shade, J. G. Freeman.  
Tompkinsville, to be supplied (by M. P. Branstetter).  
Wayne, J. L. Brown.  
Monticello, S. P. Hulse.  
Albany, P. A. Edwards.  
Creelsboro, J. V. Guthrie.  
Jamestown, J. L. Murrell.  
Cumberland, J. F. Pike.  
Mount Lebanon, J. W. Walton.

J. D. Sigler, C. H. Dowell, S. A. Feltner,  
E. H. Morrison, transferred to Illinois Conference.

Josiah Godbey transferred to Denver Conference.

## MEMPHIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BROWNSVILLE, TENN., *November 21-26, 1877.*

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; WM. C. JOHNSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. John Williams, Henry W. Brooks, Zachariah W. Richardson, William W. Jenkins, Erasmus K. Bransford, John J. Smith, Preston H. Miller, Joseph B. Sears, William H. Blalock, William M. Leatherwood, Giles Leath, Richard Hill, Richard W. Newsom, Alfred O. P. N. Sears. 14.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? John S. Collins, John M. Major, George T. Peeples. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Henry S. Taylor, O. G. Morton. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Grant T. Sullivan, Thomas J. Simmons, Reuben M. King. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Thomas Joyner, Clarence J. Nugent, J. A. Corbett, John H. Johnson, J. E. Treadwell, T. M. Ragsdale, O. G. Morton. 7.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Walter T. Burke, William G. Heffley, Joab A. Russell, George W. Wilson, Albert F. Hendrix, John S. Harris, Joseph H. Collins, Thomas F. Sanders. 8.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected?

ed deacons? Grant T. Sullivan, Thomas J. Simmons, Reuben M. King. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Grant T. Sullivan, Thomas J. Simmons, Reuben M. King. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? George B. Daws, Benjamin L. Capell, George A. Jones, Joseph B. Pearson, Joseph M. Drummond, Erasmus K. Bransford, Francis J. Jones, Alvis W. Willford, Atwood Severance, William Henry Blalock, Francis M. Davis, Asa E. Swindle. 12.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? George B. Daws, Benjamin L. Capell, Joseph M. Drummond, Erasmus K. Bransford, Alvis W. Willford, William Henry Blalock, William F. Barrier. 7.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Joseph M. Maxwell, George H. Martin, James G. Clark, Henry C. Gamble, Charles Y. Rankin, William L. Duckworth, Jacob D. Sullivan, William H. Evans, Amos B. Jones, John H. Johnson, Warner T. Bolling. 11.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Joseph M. Maxwell, George H. Martin, James G. Clark, Henry C. Gamble, Charles Y. Rankin, William L. Duckworth, Jacob D. Sullivan, William H. Evans, Amos B. Jones, John H. Johnson, Warner T. Bolling. 11.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Richard Hill, William M. Leatherwood, John C. Shipp, Hardin J. Turner, Alexander P. Watterfield, John T. Irion, George W. Atkins. 7.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Richard Hill, William M. Leatherwood, John C. Shipp, Hardin J. Turner, Alexander P. Watterfield, John T. Irion. 6.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? M. D. Robinson, D. M. K. Collins, Romulus S. Swift, James E. Beck, Thomas F. Sanders, Henry B. Covington, Jeremiah Moss, Sterling B. Adams, Phineas T. Scruggs, Thomas Joyner, Richard E. Graves, Albert F. Hendrix, Thomas C. Ellis. 13.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? James M. Major, Clement C. Glover, Thomas J. Neely, Benjamin Peeples, James C. Crews, David C. Wells, John S. Harris. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Robert H. Burns, John Moss, Thomas P. Davidson. 3.

ROBERT H. BURNS, the son of Robert H. and Charlotte Burns, was born January 20, 1829, in Haywood county, Tennessee, about eight miles north of Brownsville. He professed religion in 1844; was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of the Jackson Circuit, with the Rev. J. W. McFarland as presiding elder, January 12, 1850; was admitted on trial into the Memphis Conference in 1852, and appointed to the Caveville Circuit with the Rev. J. M. Scott; was ordained deacon by Bishop Paine, October 29, 1854; was ordained elder by Bishop Early,

October 17, 1856. His ministry continued through a course of twenty-seven years. His good natural endowments enabled him, with small literary attainments, to so persevere in his application as to become one of the most useful preachers of the gospel among us. His clear statement and earnest delivery of the truth, together with a singular sweetness of voice, possessed by few, gave him unusual power over his auditory. His presiding elder, the late Dr. G. W. D. Harris, once said on the Conference floor, "Robert H. Burns is the best circuit preacher I ever saw"—no mean commendation from such a man. His power in this respect lay in this, that he attended to all the duties of his office, and made every thing work to the conversion of sinners, and edification of the Church. He was a revivalist in the true sense, for he gave new life to every circuit that he traveled. His uncommon knowledge of human nature, a good judgment, and a sweet sympathy for each and every one, gained him a conquest at nearly every meeting. Excessive toil as an evangelist cost him his life. On the fourth Sabbath in June, 1867, while preaching at Humboldt, his voice suddenly failed—the result, no doubt, of frequent speaking and continued singing. For nearly a year he was unable to speak above a whisper—much of the time not able to speak at all. By slow degrees he so far recovered as to be able to converse as usual, and to preach occasionally, but was never well again. His disease finally extended until it prostrated him during the past summer. In all his hours of nervous prostration, and anxiety about a helpless family, he was patient and submissive. During his last illness, he was visited by the Rev. W. T. Harris, his classmate in the ministry. Said he: "When you go to Conference, please represent me when my name is called, whether I am in the ground or out of it. Tell my brethren that the gospel which I have preached is no fable." With this mind in him, trusting in Christ alone for salvation, he died peacefully and without a struggle, August 28, 1877.

JOHN MOSS, son of John and Susanna Moss, was born in Wilson county, Tenn., March 23, 1825. His educational advantages, though limited, were diligently improved, and so he was well grounded in the rudiments of knowledge; indeed, it may be said that he acquired in the common schools of the country a liberal English education. When about seventeen years old, he removed with his father's family to Hickman county, Kentucky, and in his eighteenth year he embraced the religion of Christ—was soundly regenerated—at Mobley's Camp-ground. His early religious training, followed by his conversion to Christ when he was eighteen years old, initiated him well into the lifelong work to which he was called by the Holy Ghost. He was licensed to preach in 1845, and the same year admitted on trial into the Memphis Conference—was in 1847 admitted into full connection and ordained deacon by Bishop Soule, and was in 1849 ordained elder by Bishop Ca-

pers. Eversince his admission on trial, almost to the close of his thirty-second year as a traveling preacher, his name has stood on the effective list, and all his time and strength and his rare gifts he devoted to the regular ministry. He received and filled the following appointments: Murray Circuit, 1845-46; Dresden Circuit, 1846-47; Clinton Circuit, 1847-48; Jackson Circuit, 1848-49; Paducah Station, 1849-50; Paris Station, 1850-51; Dyersburg Circuit, 1851-52; Trenton Circuit, 1852-53; Jackson Circuit, 1853-54 and 1854-55; Aberdeen Station, 1855-56 and 1856-57; Jackson Station, 1857-58 and 1858-59; Grenada District, 1859-60 and 1860-61; Holly Springs District, 1861-62, 1862-63, 1863-64, and 1864-65; Somerville District, 1865-66; Memphis District, 1866-67, 1867-68, 1868-69, and 1869-70; Somerville District, 1870-71, 1871-72, 1872-73, and 1873-74; Memphis District, 1874-75, 1875-76, and 1876-77. Thus it appears he served eight years as a circuit preacher, six he spent in stations, and eighteen almost he was a presiding elder—an office in the itinerancy which he filled with unusual ability and marked success; and he was continued presiding elder for so long a time because the fruits of his labor from year to year showed his special fitness for the office. His sermons were finished productions both in thought and language, masterly in conception and construction, and usually they were, as they fell from his lips, so entirely correct in arrangement and expression that they might have been put in print, for reading, without change of a sentence or even a word. Though he was not a natural orator, his preaching was always instructive, often very impressive, and sometimes remarkably powerful; and the fruits of his ministry were abundant in religious revivals, in strengthening believers, in comforting the afflicted, and in leading sinners to Christ. He was indeed a man of one work; and for the gospel's sake, for the honor of Christ, for the prosperity of the Church at home and abroad, for the salvation of souls, he lived and prayed, and worked, and suffered, and died at last—died at his post, on the Sabbath-day, October 21, 1877.

THOMAS P. DAVIDSON, son of Thomas and Nancy Davidson, was born in Iredell county, North Carolina, July 15, 1802. His early training in religion was Calvinistic—Presbyterian. His opportunities at school were but limited, as was the case for the most part with the youth of the country in his day. While he was a boy his family removed to the West, settling first in Stewart county, Tennessee. When about grown, he lived awhile in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, where, under the ministry of the Rev. John Johnson, a famous preacher of that time, he was received on trial in the Methodist Church as a seeker of religion, June 9, 1822; and one day in the month he obtained the witness of the new birth, and rejoiced in Christ as his own Saviour from the guilt and pollution of sin. Abounding in zeal, he was in a few weeks appointed class-leader, and not long afterward steward—holding both offices before he

was received into full membership in the Church. Continuing to advance in religious knowledge, and showing fitness for work in a wider gospel field, he was, in the spring of 1824, appointed by the presiding elder, Rev. Charles Holliday, to supply Livingston Circuit; and with him, as a supply also, was appointed Fountain E. Pitts, then a novice, but subsequently a wonderfully eloquent and successful preacher, who in 1874, finished his course with joy. On Livingston Circuit, Thomas P. Davidson began a career in the itinerancy remarkable for usefulness, though as yet he labored without authority from the Church beyond the presiding elder's appointment. Early in the autumn of 1824 he returned to his father's, and soon he witnessed at a camp-meeting the happy conversion of his mother and other relatives; his mother had long been a member of the Presbyterian Church, but without vital religion. September 18, 1824, at Manley's Chapel, then an appointment of Sandy Circuit, Forked Deer District, he was licensed to preach the gospel, as were five others, including his brother, the late Samuel R. Davidson. The presiding elder on the occasion was the Rev. Robert Paine, our present senior Bishop. In the Minutes of the Tennessee Conference, held in Columbia, November, 1824, among those admitted on trial appears the name of Thomas P. Davidson; and now that he has passed away, all the members of the class of that year, we believe, are numbered with the sainted dead—one of them was the late Dr. A. L. P. Green, of precious memory. For ten years Thomas P. Davidson itinerated in the Tennessee Conference, chiefly as a pioneer in West Tennessee, then a new country which was being rapidly settled by families from the older States. During that time he did the hardest, and perhaps the best, the most useful work of his life; encountering and overcoming the most serious obstacles, and keeping fully abreast with the incoming tide of population; having religious revivals at his regular appointments in the week as well as on Sunday, and in protracted meetings also; organizing churches, into which were gathered old members among the immigrants and new members just brought to a saving knowledge of Christ—doing, in a word, the work of a pioneer preacher, which involved labor, privation, and exposure, extraordinary in degree, such as required the exercise of all the resources of nature and grace in order to success. Some of our oldest and strongest churches were organized by Thomas P. Davidson, and the influence of his pioneer work remains all over this country. At the end of ten years he located on account of ill health. In 1836 he joined the Mississippi Conference, and was stationed at Grenada; but his health still being feeble, he located at the close of the next year. In 1842 he settled in the suburbs of Memphis, where during the latter part of the next year he served Wesley Church—now First Church—in the place of the Rev. S. S. Moody, whose health had failed; and for three years, at intervals, on account of preachers retiring from the work in ill health, he served Asbury

Church—now Hernando Street Church. In 1856 he joined the Memphis Conference; and subsequently filled various appointments around and below Memphis, including a number in the Mississippi Bottom District, where for two years he was presiding elder. In 1873, in the midst of age and feebleness extreme, "worn out in the work," he was superannuated by the vote of his brethren; though he felt—as has often been the experience of veterans—that he was still able to do mission or circuit work. Indeed, he did continue to labor, never ceasing to preach and exhort, as long as he had strength. His final illness was painful and protracted. During its fatal progress he was graciously sustained, and often rejoiced in a full present salvation, and in a glorious hope of eternal life.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and men.bers in the several circuits, stations, and missions in the Conference?

#### Memphis District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
First Church.....	466	2
Central Church.....	241	.....
Hernando Street Church.....	236	2
Saffaran Street Mission.....	97	.....
Georgia Street Mission.....	69	1
Springdale.....	225	3
Bartlett.....	233	1
Bethlehem.....	209	3
Collierville and Moscow.....	245	1
La Grange and Saulsbury.....	186	.....
Middleton.....	200	2
Macon.....	426	2
	2833	17

#### Somerville District.

Somerville.....	127	.....
Bolivar and Grand Junction.....	190	2
Bolivar Mission.....	.....	.....
Whiteville.....	448	5
Dancyville.....	390	2
Stanton.....	217	.....
Braden.....	293	1
Covington.....	86	1
Covington Circuit.....	200	1
Mount Zion and Pleasant Ridge.....	151	3
Randolph.....	302	2
Gratitude and Bethuel.....	230	.....
Embury.....	310	1
	2944	18

#### Jackson District.

First Church.....	291	3
East Jackson.....	170	4
Jackson Circuit and City Mission.....	570	3
Humboldt.....	183	.....
Brownsville Circuit.....	407	3
Brownsville.....	354	4
Deamark.....	320	3
Miffin.....	200	1
Pinson.....	488	4
Henderson.....	297	5
Purdy.....	370	3
Adamsville.....	666	10
	4316	43

#### Dyersburg District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dyersburg.....	100	1
Newbern.....	597	4
Kenton.....	350	2
Yorkville.....	324	3
Trimble Mission.....	147	.....
Trenton.....	134	1
Trenton Circuit.....	246	2
Alamo and Bell's.....	220	3
Alamo Circuit.....	457	3
Friendship.....	570	1
Woodville.....	549	3
Hale's Point Mission.....	37	.....
Ripley and Durhamville.....	204	.....
Ripley Circuit.....	643	3
Ashport.....	20	.....
	4598	26

#### Dresden District.

Dresden.....	87	1
Union City and Troy.....	136	1
Dresden Circuit.....	909	10
Cottage Grove.....	364	3
McKenzie Circuit.....	531	5
Boydsville Circuit and Mission.....	425	3
Fulton.....	528	7
Dukedom.....	583	2
Hickman.....	128	.....
Tiptonville.....	216	3
Troy.....	365	2
Obion Mission.....	52	.....
Hickman Circuit.....	514	2
	4838	39

#### Paducah District.

Paducah.....	254	3
Paducah Circuit and City Mission.....	285	2
Mayfield.....	166	3
Columbus.....	58	.....
Hinkleville.....	355	2
Blandville Mission.....	197	.....
Clinton.....	575	2
Milburn.....	388	3
Milburn Mission.....	75	.....
Wingo.....	525	4
Benton.....	495	4
Wadesboro.....	350	5
Briensburg.....	400	6
Birmingham.....	400	7
Pine Bluff Mission.....	65	1
Murray.....	831	10
	5419	52

#### Paris District.

Paris.....	111	2
Paris Circuit.....	565	5
Spring Hill.....	250	1
Paris Landing.....	265	3
Camden.....	773	6
Huntingdon.....	469	7
Trezevant.....	393	2
South Fork Mission.....	48	1
Salem.....	400	5
Lexington.....	505	7
Decaturville.....	774	7
Saltillo.....	724	6
Morgan's Creek.....	.....	.....
McKenzie and Milan.....	390	3
Lavinia.....	440	4
	6047	59

#### Recapitulation.

Memphis District.....	2833	17
Somerville ".....	2944	18
Jackson ".....	4316	43
Dyersburg ".....	4598	26
Dresden ".....	4838	39
Paducah ".....	5419	52
Paris ".....	6047	59
Total this year.....	30,995	254
Total last year.....	31,455	268
Decrease.....	460	14

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 604.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,155.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 293.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,919.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 14,071.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$2,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,531.15. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$3,781.35; Domestic Missions, \$1,201.10. Total, \$4,982.45.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Paris, Tenn.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### MEMPHIS DISTRICT.

*James A. Heard, P. E.*

Memphis: First Church, E. C. Slater.  
Central, W. T. Harris.  
Hernando Street, E. E. Hamilton.  
Saffaran Street Mission, G. W. Wilson.  
Georgia Street Mission, L. D. Mullins.  
Springdale, J. G. Clark; P. T. Scruggs, Sup.  
Bartlett, D. R. S. Rosebrough.  
Bethlehem, J. S. Renshaw.  
Collierville and Moscow, John A. Fife; Thomas Joyner, Sup.  
Shelby Mission, W. T. Plummer.  
La Grange and Saulsbury, R. S. Harris.  
Middleton, T. P. Holman.  
Macon, T. L. Boswell; S. B. Adams, Sup.  
Editor *Western Methodist*, W. C. Johnson.  
Bellevue Female College, W. T. Plummer, Pres't.  
State Female College, John S. Collins, Professor.

#### SOMERVILLE DISTRICT.

*A. H. Thomas, P. E.*

Somerville, W. D. F. Hafford.  
Bolivar and Grand Junction, J. P. Walker.  
Bolivar Mission, D. A. Ross.  
Whiteville, George H. Martin, R. W. Newsom.  
Dancyville, A. C. Smith.  
Stanton, R. V. Taylor, Richard Hill.  
Covington and Tabernacle, J. C. Hooks.  
Covington Circuit, W. M. Leatherwood.  
Randolph, to be supplied.  
Gratitude and Bethuel, James M. Spence.  
Embury, W. M. McFerrin.  
Lucy, J. A. Corbett.  
Somerville District High School, G. B. Baskerville, Principal.  
Sunday-school Agent, J. G. Acton.

#### JACKSON DISTRICT.

*J. H. Evans, P. E.*

Jackson: First Church, S. B. Suratt.  
East and West Jackson, George K. Brooks.

Jackson Circuit, W. L. Duckworth.  
Spring Creek Circuit, Grant T. Sullivan.  
Humboldt, Guilford Jones.  
Humboldt Mission, W. H. Leigh.  
Brownsville, S. W. Moore.  
Brownsville Circuit, James Perry.  
Denmark, J. R. Sykes.  
Mifflin, E. L. Fisher.  
Henderson, B. F. Blackmon.  
McNairy Mission, to be supplied.  
Purdy, J. Shelton White.  
Adamsville, Zachariah W. Richardson; T. F. Sanders, Sup.  
Pinson, R. A. Umsted.  
Memphis Conference Female Institute, Amos W. Jones, President.  
Jackson District High School, W. M. Patterson.  
Wesleyan Female College, John Williams.

#### DYERSBURG DISTRICT.

*A. R. Wilson, P. E.*

Dyersburg, T. G. Whitten.  
Newbern, O. P. Parker, R. M. King.  
Kenton, J. M. Maxwell.  
Yorkville, W. H. Evans.  
Trimble Mission, N. Sullivan.  
Trenton, J. M. Scott.  
Trenton Circuit, T. L. Beard.  
Alamo and Bell's, W. B. Seward.  
Alamo Circuit, Thomas J. Simmons.  
Friendship, B. F. Peebles.  
Woodville, John Randle.  
Ripley and Durhamville, Warner Moore.  
Ripley Circuit, C. J. Mauldin.  
Mississippi River Mission, W. W. Jenkins.

#### DRESDEN DISTRICT.

*B. A. Hayes, P. E.*

Dresden, W. A. Cook; R. E. Graves, Sup.  
Union City and Troy, N. Futrell; J. E. Beck, Sup.  
Dresden Circuit, W. C. Sellars, J. M. Major.  
Cottage Grove, E. B. Plummer.  
McKenzie Circuit, Wade H. Frost; H. B. Covington, Sup.  
Boydville, T. E. Hall.  
Lynnville Mission, to be supplied (by J. C. Poyner).  
Fulton, F. Bynum, E. K. Bransford.  
Walnut Grove, J. T. C. Collins; Jeremiah Moss, Sup.  
Hickman, W. T. Bolling.  
Tiptonville, J. D. Bush.  
Troy Circuit and Mission, George T. Peebles; M. D. Robinson, Sup.  
Hickman Circuit, J. M. Flatt.

#### PADUCAH DISTRICT.

*N. P. Ramsey, P. E.*

Paducah, R. H. Mahon.  
Paducah Circuit and City Mission, C. D. Davis.  
Mayfield, A. B. Jones.  
Columbus, Clarence J. Nugent.  
Hinkleville, J. V. Fly.

Blandville Mission, Joseph H. Collins.  
 Clinton, R. L. West.  
 Milburn Cirenit, J. J. Smith.  
 Milburn Mission, to be supplied.  
 Wingo, J. G. Pirtle.  
 Benton, H. C. Gamble.  
 Wadesboro, B. B. Risenhoover.  
 Briensburg, W. G. Hefly.  
 Birmingham, J. E. Treadwell.  
 Pine Bluff Mission, T. M. Ragsdale.  
 Murray, J. A. Russell.  
 Paducah District High School, S. B. Love.

#### PARIS DISTRICT.

*John H. Witt, P. E.*

Paris, A. T. Scruggs.  
 Paris Circuit, William Hay, G. Leath.  
 Spring Hill, J. D. Sullivan.  
 Paris Landing, W. H. Blalock.  
 Camden, R. R. Nelson; D. M. K. Collins, Sup.

Huntingdon, H. M. Sears.  
 Trezevant, M. M. Taylor; T. C. Ellis, Sup.  
 Salem, W. O. Lanier.  
 Lexington, J. H. Johnson.  
 Clarksburg, J. B. Sears.  
 Decaturville, F. B. Davis.  
 Scott's Hill, J. J. Brooks; R. S. Swift, Sup.  
 Saltillo, T. J. McGill.  
 Morgan's Creek, A. O. P. N. Sears.  
 McKenzie and Milan, A. L. Pritchett.  
 Lavinia, W. T. C. Young.  
 McKenzie College, Preston H. Miller.

W. T. Burke transferred to East Texas Conference.

R. G. Rainey transferred to North Texas Conference.

C. Y. Rankin transferred to Pacific Conference.

Henry W. Brooks transferred to Arkansas Conference.

## MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT JACKSON, MISS., *December 5-11, 1877.*

BISHOP MCTYRE, *President*; C. G. ANDREWS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Isaac D. Wall, David F. Guice, R. French Flowers, James T. Graham, H. Mallard Du Bose, John Stewart Calhoun, John S. Hutton. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Clarence A. Powell, Benjamin Franklin Jones, Thomas C. Bradford, Benton S. Rayner, William W. Simmons, Innan W. Cooper, David M. Rush, Fen Bail. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Clarence J. Philips, Thomas W. Adams. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Malachi B. Sharbrough, William D. Dominick, Green W. Brown. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? George M. Gilmore, William W. Hopper, Philip H. Napier. 3.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? William B. Andrews, Hiram R. Caldwell. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Beverly Carradine, Curtis D. Cecil, Ruffing T. Davis, Alexander L. McBryde. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Malachi B. Sharbrough, Green W. Brown. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Malachi B. Sharbrough, Green W. Brown. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Joseph W. Hall, John S. Hutton,

Clarence A. Powell, Thomas J. Miller, Andrew D. Miller, William B. King, James T. Robinson. 7.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? John S. Hutton, Clarence A. Powell, Thomas J. Miller, Andrew D. Miller, William B. King. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Duncan A. Little, Lewis R. Featherstun, Daniel C. Langford, James S. Parker, David P. Bradford. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Duncan A. Little, Lewis R. Featherstun, Daniel C. Langford, James S. Parker, David P. Bradford. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? William T. Beall. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? William T. Beall, Robert C. Bethea. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Lyman Carley, Thomas B. Walden, Levi P. Meadow, David Merchant. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? George T. Vickers, John A. Vance. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? John G. Jones, William Spillman, Barnabas Pipkin, John B. Higginbotham, Levi Pearce, Hervey Copeland, William Finn, James Shanks, Daniel A. J. Parker, Erastus R. Strickland, David W. Dillehay, Andrew B. Stewart. 12.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during

the past year? Jesse McKay, Calvin C. Watkins. 2.

JESSE MCKAY was born in Sumter District, South Carolina, February 18, 1795. He joined the Methodist Church the day he was twelve years old, and one week afterward he professed religion. He emigrated with his parents to Maury county, Tennessee, in the fall of 1811, and from thence to Amite county, Mississippi Territory. Here he was a member of one of the first Methodist churches in this part of the (then) new country. He was a soldier in the war of 1812. On the 16th of January, 1816, he was married to Miss Cassie Winburn. In 1832, he removed to Madison county, Mississippi, and in 1837 to Scott county, which had just been purchased by the Government from the Choctaw Indians. Here he was one of the first white settlers. In the earlier part of the year 1836, the first Methodist church in the county was organized at his dwelling, with seven members, he being class-leader, and the Rev. Elijah Steele preacher in charge. Later in the year they built a church-house, and floored it with puncheons hewed with broad-axes by Jesse McKay and M. T. Sigrest. This is the same church organization that is now at Hillsboro. He did not take license to preach until 1840, although he felt the call to preach long before, and had been an exhorter for many years. Some time after he became a preacher he withdrew from the Methodist Episcopal Church and united with the Methodist Protestant Church. Here he was in the itinerant ranks and active service until age and declining health compelled his superannuation. He filled a great many appointments from the Conference, his labors being confined principally to Scott county; for here he had a home, and before the late war between the States was in good circumstances. He came back to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, by the union of the Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church with this Conference, in 1871. He had been troubled with a cancer on his face for thirty years, which for several years past so affected his eyes that he could not read. Near the close of his life his sufferings were great, both from the pain and offensiveness of his cancer, which he endured with Christian fortitude and resignation. He died December 24, 1876, in the eighty-second year of his age, at his residence, four miles north-west of Hillsboro, Mississippi. Brother McKay lost his wife in 1862, and was married again in 1865 to Mrs. Ellen Baker. There was no heir by the first marriage, and only one by the second, a son—in his twelfth year when his father died. Brother McKay was noted for his hospitality, neatness of his person, extreme temperance in all things, generosity to the widows and orphans who lived around him, and besides he brought up, in part or entirely, eleven orphan children; but the best of all was his consistent Christian life and triumphant death. For about seventy years as a Christian soldier—so far as we know—there was not a blot on his fair name. He was happy

to overflowing two months before he died, and on his death-bed religion was almost his only theme of conversation. He was perfectly conscious to the last moments, and left precious parting words for his family and friends.

CALVIN C. WATKINS was born in Jefferson county, Mississippi, September 8, 1821, and died of pneumonia, at his residence, near the place of his birth, on Sunday morning, May 13, 1877. Brother Watkins was converted and received into the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1839. Early in life he was licensed to exhort, and became useful in that capacity. He was licensed to preach in 1866, ordained a deacon in 1870, and admitted on trial in the Mississippi Conference in the latter part of the year 1872. He performed four years' effective service in the traveling connection as follows: 1873-74 on the St. Helena Circuit, 1875 on the Bayou Sara Circuit, and 1876 on the Meadville Circuit. At our last annual Conference he was granted a supernumerary relation on account of his declining health. Brother Watkins was a preacher of fair abilities—able in prayer, gifted in song, sympathetic in his nature, true in his friendships, and earnest in his zeal for the Church. He was a useful minister of Christ, and died in great peace. His last words were, "All is well."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed. The name of V. H. Nelson was erased from the roll at his own request.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Vicksburg District.

	Members.	Loc' Pr's.
Vicksburg.....	274	1
Warren.....	221	.....
Sunflower Mission.....	20	.....
Clover Hill.....	46	.....
Rolling Fork.....	50	2
Mount Olivet.....	309	7
Rocky Springs.....	216	2
Cayuga.....	200	3
Port Gibson.....	103	.....
Fayette.....	360	5
Kingston.....	58	.....
Natchez.....	184	.....
	2041	20

#### Jackson District.

Jackson.....	255	.....
Madison.....	87	.....
Sharon.....	360	8
Pearl River.....	105	2
Camden.....	116	.....
Dover.....	206	2
Yazoo.....	320	2
Yazoo City.....	120	.....
Jackson Circuit.....	140	1
Silver Creek.....	48	.....
Brownsville.....	208	.....
Canton.....	150	.....
	2125	15

## Woodville District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jackson Landing and Pipkin's Chapel .....	293	6
Clinton.....	143	1
East Feliciana.....	327	.....
Bayou Sara.....	96	.....
Buffalo.....	236	.....
Wilkinson.....	265	2
Concord.....	123	.....
Woodville.....	78	1
	1566	10

## Sea-shore District (continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Enon.....	80	1
White Plains.....	100	.....
Westville.....	136	1
Mt. Carmel.....	293	2
East Pascagoula Mission.....	429	7
Soule Mission.....	240	6
Chickasayha Mission.....	163	1
Columbia.....	224	.....
	2606	26

## Summit District.

Summit .....	235	3
St. Helena.....	525	3
Magnolia.....	200	1
China Grove.....	228	.....
Franklinton.....	183	.....
Covington.....	260	.....
Amite City.....	153	2
Amite.....	540	4
East Baton Rouge.....	350	1
Meadville.....	354	2
Springfield Mission.....	89	1
Bogue Chitto.....	144	4
	3261	21

## Recapitulation.

Vicksburg District.....	2041	20
Jackson .....	2125	15
Woodville .....	1566	10
Summit .....	3261	21
Brookhaven .....	2572	15
Brandon .....	3570	28
Meridian .....	4130	26
Sea-shore .....	2606	26
Total this year.....	21,871	161
Total last year.....	21,626	170
Increase.....	245	.....
Decrease.....	.....	9

## Brookhaven District.

Brookhaven.....	159	1
Beauregard.....	275	1
Scotland.....	256	2
Brandywine.....	471	1
Raymond.....	114	.....
Bayou Pierre.....	257	2
Hazlehurst.....	133	2
Georgetown.....	170	.....
Providence.....	260	2
Spring Ridge .....	229	.....
Crystal Springs .....	248	4
	2572	15

## Brandon District.

Brandon.....	131	.....
Fannin.....	435	1
Raleigh.....	284	1
Morton and Forest.....	274	.....
Philadelphia.....	281	3
Lake.....	345	3
Trenton.....	345	1
Newton.....	276	1
Walnut Grove.....	380	6
Hillsboro.....	300	2
Union.....	300	5
Carthage.....	125	3
Homewood Mission.....	94	2
	3570	28

## Meridian District.

Meridian.....	232	2
De Kalb.....	478	1
Enterprise.....	117	1
Enterprise Circuit.....	250	3
Shubuta.....	299	3
McGowan.....	196	2
Paulding.....	500	2
Ellisville Mission.....	115	2
Spring Hill.....	518	3
Wayne.....	466	2
Waynesboro.....	188	.....
Clark Mission.....	220	2
Lauderdale Mission.....	120	1
Marion Circuit.....	440	2
	4130	26

## Sea-shore District.

Moss Point.....	158	1
Pearlington.....	143	.....
Ocean Springs.....	192	2
Rankin.....	443	5

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,011.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 888.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 213.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,165.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 7,552.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$2,100.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,718.75. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$1,657.60; Domestic Missions, \$1,596.75. Total, \$3,254.35.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Meridian, Miss.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

W. L. C. Hunnicutt, P. E.

Vicksburg, Charles B. Galloway.  
Warren, F. M. Williams.  
Clover Hill, to be supplied (by H. J. Harris).  
Chotard Circuit, H. M. Du Bose.  
Rolling Fork, H. R. Caldwell.  
Mt. Olivet, W. W. Hurst.  
Rocky Springs, John M. Sandell.  
Cayuga, C. A. Powell.  
Port Gibson, E. H. Mounger.  
Fayette, W. B. Lewis.  
Dover, R. Bradley.  
Natchez, R. S. Woodward.  
Kingston and Jefferson Mission, J. P. Drake.  
Port Gibson Collegiate Institute, J. A. B. Jones.

## WOODVILLE DISTRICT.

*J. A. Godfrey, P. E.*

Woodville, T. B. Holloman.  
 Buffalo, W. W. Simmons.  
 Wilkinson, F. Ball.  
 Bayou Sara, C. D. Cecil.  
 Jackson and Pipkins Chapel, C. G. Andrews.  
 Winans, D. M. Rush.  
 East Feliciana, I. B. Robertson, I. D. Wall.  
 Clinton, J. W. McLaurin.  
 Amite, H. P. Lewis.  
 Magnolia, P. A. Johnston.  
 St. Helena, J. S. Parker.  
 East Baton Rouge, R. T. Davis.  
 Tickfaw Mission, D. F. Guice.  
 Centenary College, C. G. Andrews, President;  
 D. M. Rush, Professor.

## BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

*W. E. M. Linfield, P. E.*

Brookhaven and Wesson, J. T. Heard.  
 Beauregard, T. C. Bradford.  
 Hazlehurst, J. M. Weems.  
 Georgetown, A. M. Barrington.  
 Crystal Springs, J. L. Forsyth.  
 Pleasant Valley and Zion, C. W. Campbell.  
 Bethel, E. F. Mullins.  
 Brandywine, B. T. Pearson.  
 Scotland, W. Wadsworth.  
 Meadville, B. F. Jones.  
 Summit, L. Kendall.  
 Bogue Chitto Mission, E. A. Flowers.  
 Whitworth College, H. F. Johnson, President.

## BRANDON DISTRICT.

*W. H. Leith, P. E.*

Brandon, B. Carradine.  
 Fannin, J. D. Hays.  
 Morton and Forest, J. J. Smylie.  
 Lake, P. H. Napier.  
 Newton, R. B. Downer.  
 Union, J. H. Holland; John A. Vance, Sup.  
 Walnut Grove, N. B. Young.  
 Carthage, J. W. Ellison.  
 Trenton, R. Sibley.  
 Raleigh, C. McDonald.  
 Rankin, J. H. Evans.  
 Homewood Mission, J. N. Williams.  
 Prairie Mission, to be supplied.

## MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

*J. A. Ellis, P. E.*

Meridian, R. J. Jones.  
 Enterprise, H. R. Singleton.  
 Marion, J. M. Gann.  
 Spring Hill, D. A. Little.  
 Philadelphia, J. C. Brogan.  
 De Kalb, T. Y. Armstrong.

Shubuta, T. S. West.  
 Wayne, D. G. W. Ellis.  
 Waynesboro, R. L. Featherstun.  
 McGown, G. M. Gilmore.  
 Paulding, D. P. Bradford.  
 Enterprise, to be supplied (by George Bancroft).  
 Lauderdale Mission, A. L. McBryde.  
 Ellisville Mission, to be supplied (by J. C. Williams).  
 East Mississippi Female College, J. W. Adkisson, President.

## SEA-SHORE DISTRICT.

*T. Price, P. E.*

Moss Point, J. B. K. Smith.  
 Ocean Springs, W. W. Hopper.  
 Pearlinton, A. B. Nicholson.  
 East Pascagoula, C. W. Calhoun.  
 West Pascagoula, J. S. Calhoun.  
 Hansboro Mission, J. Nicholson.  
 Covington, C. F. Gillespie; George T. Vickers, Sup.  
 Amite City, G. F. Thompson.  
 China Grove and Franklinton, P. Howard.  
 Columbia, I. W. Cooper.  
 Mt. Carmel, G. W. Brown.  
 Westville, D. A. Givens.  
 Enon, B. S. Rayner.  
 Chickasahay, to be supplied.

## JACKSON DISTRICT.

*F. M. Featherstun, P. E.*

Jackson, W. H. Watkins.  
 Jackson Circuit, A. Day.  
 Madison, D. C. Langford.  
 Sharon, H. H. Montgomery.  
 Thomastown Mission, to be supplied.  
 Camden and Soule, W. C. Black.  
 Yazoo City, W. E. Ballard.  
 Yazoo Circuit, J. H. Shelton.  
 Silver Creek, W. P. Andrews.  
 Tranquil, R. F. Flowers.  
 Brownsville, W. B. Hines.  
 Canton, R. D. Norsworthy.  
 Raymond, B. Jones.  
 Spring Ridge and Forest Hill, W. D. Dominick.  
 Oak Hill, J. Lusk.  
 Special Agent Publishing House, R. Abbey.  
 Missionary to China, J. W. Lambuth.

A. J. Coleman transferred to Alabama Conference.

J. S. Hutton transferred to Los Angeles Conference.

M. B. Sharbrough transferred to Pacific Conference.

J. Ritchie transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

J. T. Graham transferred to Louisiana Conference.

## MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT FULTON, MO., September 12-18, 1877.

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; JOHN D. VINCIL, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. John W. Keithley, William McKendree Gillum, Joseph Rowe, James W. Bain, Armstead Early, Daniel K. Tindal, McGinnis Jeffries, Marcus L. Gray. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Joseph T. McDonald, Stewart S. Hardin, Albert T. Lewis, John Holland, Philip G. Nichols, Addison L. Brewer, Bradford H. Tripp, Henry C. Bolen. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Isaae W. Moore, John A. Sublett, Nelson Scarlett. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Thomas E. Rose, Alexander Falconer, John D. Houston, William T. Conwell, Robert W. Howerton. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Lewis R. Downing, Jacob Ditzler, Jesse Bird, Peter P. Doak. 4.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Dudley C. O'Howell, Geo. J. Warren. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Rufus F. Gamble, Joseph S. Allen, Solomon H. Milam, Cornelius W. Herley, Thomas H. Swearingen, Marshall G. Gregory, James L. Meffert, Samuel D. Barnett, Henry T. Leeper, Peter P. Doak. 10.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Thomas E. Rose, Alexander Falconer, John D. Houston, William T. Conwell, Robert W. Howerton. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Thomas E. Rose, Alexander Falconer, John D. Houston, William T. Conwell, Robert W. Howerton. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Henry B. Doak, John Pinckard, George H. Kurn, Banner Brummett, Alexander M. Bedford, Spencer H. Anderson, Lewis R. Parker. 7.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Alexander M. Bedford, Spencer H. Anderson. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Andres L. Gribble, Alexander S. Doak. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Andres L. Gribble, Alexander S. Doak. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? William McKendree Gillum. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? William McKendree Gillum, M. L. A. Via. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? John B. Jewell, James L. Taylor, John Anderson, William M. Goode, G. U. Keener. 5.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Tyson

Dines, Joseph S. Allen, M. B. Chapman, Lewis F. Linn. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Cyrus Doggett, Robert H. Jordan, Thomas J. Starr, Thomas Hurst, Daniel Penny, George Fenton, Jesse Faubion, James Penn, Jesse Sutton, John J. Poage. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? William McKendree Newland, Edward Melville Mann, Thomas Demoss. 3.

WILLIAM MCKENDREE NEWLAND died in the city of Glasgow, Missouri, October 31, 1876, aged forty-eight years. Brother N. was a native of Tennessee, but when four years of age he came with his parents to Missouri, and settled in Pike county. He was converted and joined the Church under the ministry of Rev. Daniel Penny in 1851. One year later he received license to exhort from the same minister. If the life of a minister of the gospel had been marked by no other important event than the conversion of such a man as Brother Newland, that life would be grand in results and rich in honor. One year later and he received license to preach from Rev. E. M. Marvin, and on September 28th of the same year he entered the Missouri Conference at its session in Palmyra. This was September, 1853, so that at the time of his death he had been a traveling preacher for twenty-three years. As a man his most marked characteristics were his eminent purity, perfect sincerity, and honesty of purpose. He was one of the best, one of the truest of men. No man was ever long in doubt as to his position on any great question of interest to the Church of Christ, and with his fine fund of good common sense, he was very seldom wrong on such questions, and never failed to let his views be known in a firm, manly expression. Being very timid and distrustful of himself, he was often discouraged, yet when principle was involved, he was as unmovable as a rock. As a preacher he was clear, strong, forcible, and earnest, delighting most to dwell upon the great cardinal doctrines of the gospel. In almost any sermon of his there was enough of gospel truth to save any man who would take heed thereunto. Any work given to him would be faithfully done. He was in earnest to save souls. But his work is done. His place is vacant. When a good man dies, the Church and the world grow poorer—a high moral force is lost; a light gone out; many prospects blighted and hopes deferred. The loss of such a man is truly a great affliction. Brother Newland's last illness was that stupefying disease, typhoid fever. It creeps on slowly, quenching one light after another till the men-

tal vision is shrouded in rayless midnight. In consequence of this fact, there lingered upon the pale lips no last farewells, no whispered words of comfort and cheer to weeping ones left alone in the world. There were no reflected glances of triumph from the dying victor's eye. It was all an unbroken scene of Death's triumphs. Man's mortality never seemed more complete or humiliating than here. But in the light of a life so pure and consistent, no doubt can linger that after all it is but a little darker gate-way to that all-radiant home of the just, where the pure in heart see God forever; and when we think of the happy reunion beyond, we could almost wish to join him. Has he not met the grand heroes gone from our midst in other years? He was buried in the Glasgow cemetery. This seemed eminently right—just where his last work was done, fresh from his toil in his last field of labor, he lies there to wait his coming Master. In our wanderings over the itinerant field, we have scattered our dead all along our pathway. We lay them down and rise with eyes blind with tears of sorrow, and move on to other fields of conflict. By and by our pilgrimage will end, and we want to rest just there till called to meet our Lord in the air. It may be far from the home of childhood and the graves of the loved ones, but it will be where we have fallen at the post of duty, and it is a sublime place to await the last day.

EDWARD MELLVILLE MANN died at the home of his parents in Keytesville, Missouri, April 2, 1877. Brother Mann was thirty years of age. He professed faith at a meeting held in Chariton county in 1867, and was licensed to preach the gospel in 1870. Brother Mann joined the Missouri Conference at Palmyra, September 19, 1871. His last disease was consumption of the lungs, and in great suffering he passed to his home and reward above. Brother Mann has been called away in the morning of life, before his sun had risen to the high meridian of mature manhood. He had been preaching only about seven years, but these were years of fruitful labor, and especially rich in promise. He was a man of fine intellectual endowment, and of a cultured mind. His piety was consistent, developing into practical obedience to all the duties of a Christian and ministerial life; and perhaps no young man in the Conference bid fairer to develop into wide usefulness in the ministry. His brother writes: "From the time of his first attack he seems to have had an apprehension of being finally disabled from preaching, if not of an early death. His worst fears were soon realized, and he often said the only regret was at his not being able to prosecute his ministerial labors. He said an early death would not be so much regretted but from the fact of his being thus denied the privilege of preaching. On the day before his death he called his friends about him and joined in singing,

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in thee.

After they had closed, he requested that they should repeat that part of the hymn,

In my hand no price I bring,  
Simply to thy cross I cling."

This was a very characteristic act of our departed brother, for in all life's experience he never seemed to forget that all his hopes of heaven rested alone on the merits of the blood of the Son of God. His life was short, his ministerial labors brief, but in the close of such a life we have all to encourage us to continued fidelity till we are also called from labor to the rewards of the good.

THOMAS DEMOSS was born in Bracken county, Kentucky, May 5, 1813, and died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. M. F. Dawson, Monroe City, Missouri, November 22, 1876, at ten minutes before 2 o'clock P.M. He was in his sixty-fourth year. Previous to his last illness he had enjoyed good health, with the exception that for some years past he had suffered from an affection of the kidneys, with other complications of disease, a return of which terminated his life suddenly, as he was sick only three days and a half. He was one of the cavaliers of Methodism in Kentucky, and spent the early part of his life in the service of the Master in that State, witnessing many gracious revivals and conversions under his ministry. He was converted in his fourteenth year, and licensed as an exhorter in his eighteenth, was licensed to preach in 1835, and joined the Kentucky Conference in 1836. Nineteen years of his manhood were spent in that State, and his name, as that of a faithful itinerant minister, is yet remembered and loved, and is now recorded with the historic memories of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Kentucky. He removed to Missouri in 1855, and the year following joined the Missouri Conference, of which he was a member at the time of his death. He received deacon's and elder's orders at the hands of Bishop Beverly Waugh. Thomas DeMoss needs no eulogy; he was recognized by all who knew him as an honorable man and a true-hearted Christian. He was a lover of good men, and was loved in return; amiable, kind, and courteous, he won the hearts of many; and with unselfishness, characteristic of the man, labored for the good of all. Forty-three years of untiring labor in this work has made for him an imperishable monument, and has placed his name on the roll with those who have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb, and through faith and patience have gone up to possess a crown and a kingdom. As he lived well, so he died well; he was not surprised nor alarmed, but with great joy and peace trusted his Saviour through the dark valley and the deep waters. We saw his sun go down, not in the darkness and cloud, but as the bright morning-star that melts away in the light of heaven. What an experience it is to die—what revelations await the humble, faithful child of God beyond this vale of tears—we must die to know. But as it is written, "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the

heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." His dying-message to the members of the Missouri Conference was, "Tell them to preach Jesus, preach Jesus, *preach Jesus* and the resurrection."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Hannibal District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fifth Street.....	191	1
Arch Street.....	80	1
Hydesburg.....	201	1
Mt. Olivet.....	378	.....
Palmyra.....	212	1
Monroe City.....	436	1
Shelbyville.....	530	1
Monticello.....	292	2
Canton.....	187	1
Kahoka.....	159	1
Colony.....	196	3
New Ark.....	221	.....
La Belle.....	250	.....
	3333	13

#### Gallatin District.

Gallatin.....	163	2
Gallatin Circuit.....	106	.....
Trenton.....	165	.....
Jamesport.....	610	1
Albany.....	239	1
Jameson.....	271	1
Alanthus Grove.....	112	2
Bethany.....	235	2
Limeville.....	265	1
Milan.....	173	5
Scottsville.....	233	5
	2592	20

#### St. Joseph District.

Frances Street.....	340	1
Tenth Street.....	75	.....
St. Joseph Circuit.....	146	1
Forest City.....	98	.....
Craig.....	191	.....
Hamburg.....	164	3
Maryville.....	189	.....
La Mar.....	228	3
Savannah.....	167	3
New Market.....	407	1
Rushville.....	128	3
Hopkins Mission.....	94	.....
	2221	15

#### Plattsburg District.

Mt. Moriah.....	215	3
Osborn.....	293	3
Weston.....	130	.....
Platte City.....	202	.....
Parkville.....	230	1
Liberty.....	45	.....
Camden.....	270	2
Richmond.....	113	2
Millville.....	417	2
Polo.....	307	2
Maysville.....	216	2
Gosneyville.....	245	2
Haynesville.....	305	1
	2987	22

#### Mexico District.

Mexico.....	191	.....
Mexico Circuit.....	211	1
Fulton.....	172	.....
Fulton Circuit.....	367	1
Pleasant Grove.....	179	3
Cedar City.....	222	.....

#### Mexico District (continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Williamsburg.....	296	1
New Florence.....	336	1
Montgomery City.....	186	.....
Santa Fe.....	175	.....
Madison.....	249	2
Vandalia Mission.....	123	2
	2707	11

#### St. Charles District.

St. Charles.....	110	.....
Cottleville.....	193	.....
Wentzville.....	250	.....
Mechanicsville.....	137	.....
Wright City.....	271	2
Jonesburg.....	214	2
Troy.....	153	2
Ashley.....	132	.....
Clarksville.....	261	3
Auburn.....	237	.....
Brussels.....	301	1
Frankford.....	177	3
Louisiana.....	125	.....
	2561	13

#### Fayette District.

Fayette.....	350	6
Glasgow.....	144	1
Salisbury.....	184	2
Sturgeon.....	277	2
Renick.....	245	.....
Ashland.....	383	2
Columbia.....	148	1
Rochepport.....	469	1
Roanoke.....	301	1
Huntsville.....	264	1
	2774	17

#### Chillicothe District.

Chillicothe.....	270	.....
Chillicothe Circuit.....	277	1
Bedford.....	159	.....
Breckenridge.....	223	.....
Mandeville.....	473	3
Norborne.....	380	.....
Pleasant Park.....	278	2
Carrollton.....	243	.....
Brunswick.....	218	1
Keyesville.....	380	2
Bucklin.....	367	3
Linnens.....	397	1
Rothville.....	289	2
	3954	15

#### Macon District.

Macon.....	129	.....
Bloomington.....	302	3
Kirksville.....	186	1
Queen City.....	148	.....
Memphis.....	133	1
Edina.....	255	2
Sne City.....	206	6
Clarence.....	295	1
Shelbina.....	314	1
Paris.....	238	.....
Cairo.....	237	1
Moberly.....	108	.....
	2751	16

#### Recapitulation.

Hannibal District.....	3333	13
Gallatin ".....	2592	20
St. Joseph ".....	2221	15
Plattsburg ".....	2987	22
Mexico ".....	2707	11
St. Charles ".....	2561	13
Fayette ".....	2774	17
Chillicothe ".....	3954	15
Macon ".....	2751	16
Total this year.....	25,880	142
Total last year.....	24,827	148
Increase.....	1,053	.....
Decrease.....		6

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 538.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,187.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 279.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,009.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 11,400.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$3,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$2,170.95. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$4,399.97; Domestic Missions, \$3,103.19. Total, \$7,503.16.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Macon, Mo.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### ST. CHARLES DISTRICT.

*M. R. Jones, P. E.*

St. Charles Station, R. N. T. Holliday.

Cottleville Circuit, Henry Pope Bond.

Wentzville Station, R. P. Jones; J. S. Allen, Sup.

Mechanicsville Circuit, Rufus E. Gamble.

Wright City Circuit, Philip G. Nichols.

Jonesburg Circuit, John M. O'Brien.

Troy Circuit, James W. Keithley.

Ashley Circuit, to be supplied (by W. B. Johnson).

Louisiana Station, Ambrose P. Linn.

Clarksville Circuit, Joseph H. Ledbetter.

Auburn Circuit, Samuel D. Barnett.

Brussels Circuit, to be supplied.

Frankford Circuit, Daniel T. Sherman.

#### MEXICO DISTRICT.

*S. W. Cope, P. E.*

Mexico Station, John D. Vincil.

Mexico Circuit, Aleck Spencer.

Fulton Station, George W. Penn.

Fulton Circuit, to be supplied (by G. M. Edwards).

Pleasant Grove Circuit, Joseph Y. Blakey.

Cedar City Circuit, C. W. Collett; R. F. Beavers, supply.

Readville Circuit, A. L. Brewer.

New Florence Circuit, James O. Edmonston.

Montgomery City Circuit, R. G. Loving; J. Payne, supply.

Santa Fe Circuit, William Sartor.

Madison Circuit, Joseph Rowe.

Vandalia Circuit, Henry Kay.

Jacob Ditzler, Sunday-school Agent.

#### MACON DISTRICT.

*Wesley W. McMurtry, P. E.*

Macon Station, Hiram D. Groves.

Bloomington Circuit, John S. Rooker.

Kirksville Circuit, Columbus Cleaveland.

Queen City Circuit, J. T. McDonald.

Memphis Circuit, William J. Jackson, Armstead Early.

Edina Circuit, Daniel L. Rader.

Sue City Circuit, Alexander S. Doak.

Clarence Circuit, William M. Wainwright.

Shelbina Circuit, Samuel L. Woody.

Paris Circuit, J. F. Monroe.

Cairo Circuit, Walter Toole.

Moberly Station, John A. Beagle.

#### FAYETTE DISTRICT.

*William M. Rush, P. E.*

Fayette Station, J. R. A. Vaughan; Tyson Dines, Sup.

Franklin Circuit, Louis R. Downing.

Glasgow Station, Eugene R. Hendrix.

Salisbury Circuit, Henry H. Craig.

Sturgeon Circuit, George W. Rich.

Renick Circuit, William M. Sutton.

Ashland Circuit, B. F. Johnson.

Columbia Station, George W. Horn.

Rocheport Circuit, Robert White.

Huntsville Circuit, William Penn.

Roanoke Circuit, Daniel H. Root.

Central College, W. G. Miller, Professor of Physical Science.

Howard Female College, J. H. Pritchett, President.

#### CHILLICOTHE DISTRICT.

*J. P. Nolan, P. E.*

Chillicothe Station, Rice H. Cooper.

Chillicothe Circuit, H. C. Bolen.

Bedford Circuit, Henry T. Leeper.

Breckenridge Circuit, Thomas H. Swearingen.

Mandeville Circuit, R. H. G. Keeran.

Norborne Circuit, George J. Warren.

DeWitt Circuit, James L. Meffert.

Carrollton Station, Chancy Grimes.

Brunswick Station, M. M. Hawkins.

Keytesville Station, William W. Jones.

Bucklin Station, William Warren.

Linneus Station, Elmore Carlyle.

Tripplett Station, M. G. Gregory.

#### PLATTSBURG DISTRICT.

*S. W. Atterbury, P. E.*

Plattsburg Station, Jesse Bird.

Osborne Circuit, Grafton Tanquary.

Weston and Parksville Circuit, Thomas R. Hedgpeth.

Platté City Circuit, Waller C. Campbell.

Liberty Circuit, John F. Shores.

Camden Circuit, John W. Ellis.

Richmond Station, William H. Lewis.

Millville Circuit, Charles Babcock.

Maysville Circuit, Thomas E. Rose.

Kingston Circuit, John W. Perry.

Gosneyville Circuit, James A. Hyder.

Haynesville Circuit, Joseph Devlin.

Cameron Circuit, A. T. Lewis.

#### ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.

*Cornelius J. Vandeventer, P. E.*

St. Joseph: Francis Street, Thomas J. Gooch; M. B. Chapman, Sup.

Tenth Street, Willis E. Dockery.  
 St. Joseph Circuit, D. R. Shackelford.  
 Forest City Circuit, William Barnett.  
 Craig Circuit, James W. Bain.  
 Harrisburg Circuit, S. H. Milam.  
 Maryville Circuit, D. C. O'Howell; L. F. Linn,  
 Sup.  
 Lamar Circuit, William McKendree Gillum.  
 Savannah Circuit, Daniel K. Tindall.  
 New Market Circuit, Hiram A. Davis.  
 Davis and Mt. Moriah Circuit, David F. Bone.  
 Hopkins Circuit, McGinnis Jeffries.

## GALLATIN DISTRICT.

*William M. Wood, P. E.*

Gallatin Station, John A. Mumpower.  
 Gallatin Circuit, Peter P. Doak.  
 Trenton Circuit, Alexander Falconer.  
 Jamesport Circuit, Stewart S. Hardin.  
 Spring Hill Circuit, Andres L. Gribble.  
 Jamison Circuit, A. J. Worley.  
 Albany Circuit, William T. Conwell.  
 Alanthus Grove Circuit, John D. Houston.  
 Bethany Circuit, Jesse C. Carney.  
 Lineville Circuit, C. W. Herley.

Milan Circuit, Robert W. Howerton.  
 Scottsville Circuit, Bradford H. Tripp.

## HANNIBAL DISTRICT.

*Robert A. Austin, P. E.*

Hannibal: Fifth Street, Henry B. Watson.  
 Arch Street, A. M. Kiergan.  
 Hydesburg Circuit, Lewis Baldwin.  
 Mt. Olivet Circuit, B. H. Spencer.  
 Palmyra Station, William A. Tarwater.  
 Monroe City Circuit, Hiter W. James.  
 Shelbyville Circuit, John R. Taylor.  
 Hunnewell Circuit, Thompson Penn.  
 Monticello Circuit, Joseph S. Todd.  
 Kahoka Circuit, John Holland; J. Martin,  
 supply.  
 Canton Circuit, Alonzo V. Bayley.  
 Colony Circuit, Thomas R. Kendall.  
 La Belle Circuit, Lilburn Rush.  
 Monticello Seminary, J. S. Smith, Principal.  
 Alvin P. Parker, Missionary to China.

William M. Prottzman transferred to the  
 South-west Missouri Conference.

Marcus L. Gray transferred to the Western  
 Conference.

## NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GADSDEN, ALA., November 7-12, 1877.

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; JOHN A. THOMPSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Walter Thomas Keith, Wilson McDaniel Howell, Joseph J. Crow, George J. Hall, Richard T. Goodrum, Basil H. O. Cochran, Benjamin B. McCraw, James W. C. Faires. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? George W. Crutcher, John T. Wilkins, Sam. R. Emerson, John R. Nelson, R. W. McKelvey, James W. Tucker. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? George W. Johnson, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Carrol C. O'Neal, Jo. T. Morris, George M. G. Dunkin, Robert T. Bentley, Isaac M. Blanton, John G. Gibson. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Lawrence M. Wilson, Charles C. Ellis, John B. Cole. 3.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? John B. Sedham, James H. Cameron, Julian C. Brown, Robert T. Blackwell, Robert F. Winston, Moses L. White, Henry D. Hill, Robert F. Mountain, James Cox, Moses N. Morris, John B. Gregory, Jephthah N. Scott, W. M. P. Rippey, Hugh P. Berry, Aaron N. Lowrie, James T. Miller, Charles A. Allday, Samuel

M. Hosmer, Reuben J. Wilson, John L. Ferguson, James S. Glasgow, John C. Hunkapiller. 22.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Jo. T. Morris, George M. G. Dunkin, Robert T. Bentley, Isaac M. Blanton. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Jo. T. Morris, George M. G. Dunkin, Robert T. Bentley, Isaac M. Blanton. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Thomas J. Lake, George W. Roberts, William D. Thompson, John D. Cameron, Thomas B. Parker, Jasper L. Mayes, Turner Wright, David McKee, William M. Taylor, John F. Leach, J. F. Baker. 11.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? John F. Leach, Joel F. Baker, Jasper L. Mayes, William M. Taylor, Charles Hines, Charles W. Jacobs. 6.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? John W. Baine, Robert G. Isbell. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? John W. Baine, Robert G. Isbell. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Sampson H. Williams, Samuel Y. Stitt, L. P. Denson, John F. Turney. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? R. Stripling, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Moses L. White, James T. Bartee, Henry P. Turner, Thomas F. Brown, James M. Towles, J. F. Randall. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Edward McMeans, Daniel Duncan, George J. Mason, Theophilus Moody, Uriah Williams, Finch P. Scruggs, Charles W. Smith, John N. Dupree, Robert Scales, Robert G. Reagan, Julius N. Glover. 11.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Dawson Phelps, Sion L. Hill. 2.

DAWSON PHELPS was born in Tyrrel county, North Carolina, March 14, 1806. Early in life he became a Christian and joined the Methodist Church, and before he was twenty years old received license as an exhorter, and some time after license to preach. He did regular preaching one year on a circuit in North Carolina, by direction of his presiding elder. We are not informed as to what year he removed to Alabama, but in 1834 he was admitted on trial into the Tennessee Conference, in which he did faithful work till 1850, when, at his own request, he was granted a location. He continued in the local ranks for twenty-one years, but during that time he preached much and was very useful. In 1871 he was readmitted into the traveling connection in the North Alabama Conference, and for five years did full and useful work. In 1876 he was appointed in charge of the Pettusville Circuit, in the bounds of which his home had been for many years. He was only able to preach a few sermons after Conference till he went home for the last time; and though he lingered several months, the grace of God sustained him to the last. At times he expressed a great desire to get well again, that he might continue longer to preach. His physician told him that he thought he would probably get up again, but would never be able to preach any more. He said that if he could not recover sufficiently to be able to preach he had rather die and go to heaven. A few weeks before his death he said: "Fifty-two years ago to-day I was licensed to exhort, and if I could live that much longer I would spend it all preaching the same doctrines I have preached." He often said that he had no fears of death—was fully prepared and waiting for the summons. For four days before his death he seemed to be entirely unconscious, and on September 4, 1877, he ceased to suffer, and was not, for God took him. He was a very strong doctrinal preacher, and very pious and useful, so that many no doubt through his instrumentality were brought to Christ.

SION L. HILL died on his work, the Atalla Circuit. He had been reappointed to this circuit, which he had served the preceding year, although he was not in attendance at our last session on account of declining health. The

fangs of disease had fastened upon his lungs, and with a slow and steady decline he passed away. He was visited during his sickness by the Rev. T. Moody, who also attended at his funeral. Brother Hill had been but a short time connected with the Conference, having been a minister in the Baptist Church for several years preceding his admission to our body. His death was peaceful and happy, and he added the testimony of his dying-words to the influence of his life. He was about twenty-seven years of age. He left a wife and several young children, who are entitled to the care and sympathy of the Church.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of M. T. Leach, who withdrew from the Church.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Florence District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence Station.....	247	.....	2
Shoal Circuit and Lexington Mission	511	.....	2
Lentzville Circuit.....	396	.....	3
Cypress Circuit.....	469	.....	3
Oakland Circuit.....	264	.....	3
Waterloo Circuit*.....	243	.....	5
Tusculum Station.....	122	.....	2
Valley Station.....	220	.....	4
Chickasaw Circuit.....	253	.....	1
Frankfort Circuit.....	310	1	5
Mountain Mills Mission.....	103	.....	.....
	3138	1	30

#### Decatur District.

Decatur Station.....	123	.....	2
Trinity and Hillsboro.....	194	.....	3
Courtland Station.....	87	.....	.....
Jonesboro and Ebenezer.....	99	.....	1
Leighton Circuit.....	203	.....	2
Russell Valley Circuit.....	348	1	2
Littleville Mission.....	137	.....	5
Monlton Circuit.....	289	.....	3
Danville Circuit.....	663	.....	14
Antioch Circuit.....	437	2	3
Somerville Circuit.....	665	.....	17
	3236	3	52

#### Huntsville District.

Huntsville Station.....	330	.....	1
Madison Station.....	140	.....	.....
Madison Circuit.....	264	.....	.....
Maysville Circuit.....	384	.....	.....
New Market Circuit.....	322	.....	1
Vienna Circuit*.....	640	.....	.....
Deposit Circuit.....	215	.....	2
Paint Rock Circuit.....	250	.....	3
Larkinsville Circuit.....	314	.....	2
Scottsboro Circuit.....	357	.....	6
Stevenson Circuit.....	250	.....	2
Stevenson Mission.....	61	.....	2
Athens Station.....	181	.....	2
Limestone Circuit.....	311	.....	2
Pettusville Circuit.....	232	.....	2
Swan Creek Circuit.....	372	.....	4
Triana Circuit.....	60	.....	1
	4682	.....	30

#### Birmingham District.

Birmingham Station.....	233	.....	2
Jonesboro Circuit.....	193	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill Circuit.....	256	.....	2
Tuskaloosa Circuit.....	300	.....	.....

## Birmingham District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Montevallo Station.....	64	.....	.....
Montevallo Circuit.....	444	.....	2
Cropwell Circuit.....	570	.....	6
Ashville Circuit.....	267	.....	3
Murphree's Valley Circuit.....	344	.....	9
Hanover Circuit.....	333	.....	6
Jones's Valley Circuit.....	450	.....	6
Cahaba Mission.....	106	.....	.....
Blountsville Circuit.....	536	.....	12
Winston Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Jasper Circuit.....	421	.....	7
New Castle Circuit.....	562	.....	12
	5078	.....	67

## La Fayette District.

La Fayette Circuit.....	196	.....	5
Oak Bowery Circuit.....	306	.....	7
Dadeville Circuit.....	338	.....	5
Pinckneyville Circuit.....	622	.....	6
Socopato Circuit.....	630	.....	8
Fredonia Circuit.....	476	.....	6
Louina Circuit.....	650	.....	3
Arbacoochee Circuit.....	250	.....	8
Wedowee Mission.....	150	.....	1
Lineville Circuit.....	441	.....	5
Chattahoochee Mission.....	93	.....	1
	4242	.....	55

## Talladega District.

Talladega Station.....	199	.....	.....
Talladega Circuit.....	652	.....	8
White Plains and Oxford.....	328	.....	5
Alexandria Circuit.....	412	.....	2
Center and Chulafinnee *.....	366	.....	2
Jacksonville Station.....	140	.....	.....
Cross Plains Circuit.....	450	2	4
Fayetteville Circuit.....	475	.....	3
Harpersville and Columbiana Cir.....	584	.....	8
Chandler Springs Mission.....	356	.....	3
	3962	2	35

## Guntersville District.

Guntersville Station.....	51	.....	1
Yenn Valley Circuit.....	219	.....	5
Sulphur Springs Circuit.....	160	.....	6
Valley Head Circuit.....	225	1	2
Cedar Bluff Circuit.....	497	.....	6
Ambersenville Circuit.....	264	.....	4
Gadsden Station.....	157	.....	2
Gadsden Circuit.....	487	.....	4
Atalla Circuit.....	291	.....	4
Van Buren Circuit.....	333	.....	2
Bristoe's Cove Circuit.....	363	.....	2
Summit Circuit.....	324	.....	3
Lookout Mountain Mission.....	222	.....	2
	3693	1	43

## Tuskaloosa District.

Tuskaloosa Station.....	162	.....	1
North Port Circuit.....	403	.....	6
Sheffield Circuit.....	495	.....	.....
North River Mission.....	120	.....	1
Gordo Circuit.....	527	.....	1
Carrollton Circuit.....	270	.....	4
Pickensville Circuit.....	57	.....	.....
Fairfield Circuit.....	110	.....	1
Yorkville Circuit.....	411	.....	3
Fayette Circuit *.....	404	1	2
Luxapallia Circuit *.....	517	.....	9
Vernon Circuit.....	320	.....	.....
Bexar Circuit.....	628	1	10
Pikeville Mission.....	268	.....	.....
	4682	2	38

## Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence District.....	3138	1	30
Decatur ".....	3236	3	52
Huntsville ".....	4682	.....	30
Birmingham ".....	5078	.....	67
La Fayette ".....	4242	.....	55
Talladega ".....	3962	2	35
Guntersville ".....	3693	1	43
Tuskaloosa ".....	4682	2	38
Total this year.....	32,713	9	350
Total last year.....	32,428	43	355
Increase.....	285	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	34	5

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 986.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,783.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 325.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,610.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 12,905.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1,600.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,103. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? \$2,709.55.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Athens, Ala.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

James L. Coleman, P. E.

Huntsville Station, W. C. Hearn.

Madison Station, L. F. Whitten.

Madison Circuit, Samuel M. Hosmer; H. P. Turner, Sup.

New Market Circuit, Milus E. Johnston.

Vienna Circuit, Jephthah N. Scott; James T. Bartee, Sup.

Maysville Circuit, Rufus W. Coons.

Paint Rock Circuit, George W. Crutcher.

Larkinsville Circuit, John C. Hunkapiller.

Scottsboro Circuit, Philip L. Henderson.

Stevenson Circuit, William E. Cameron.

Stevenson Mission, James Cox.

Athens Station, C. D. Oliver.

Limestone Circuit, William M. P. Rippey.

Pettusville Circuit, John R. Sharpe.

Triana Circuit, William McQueen.

## DECATUR DISTRICT.

W. R. Kirk, P. E.

Decatur Station, Joel W. Whitten.

Trinity Station, George R. Lynch.

Jonesboro and Ebenezer, William T. Andrews.

Courtland Station, Hardie Brown.

Leighton Circuit, Thomas H. Davenport.

Russellville and Newburg, John B. Stedham.

Mt. Hope Circuit, Jesse F. Ellis; J. F. Randall, Sup.

Littleville Mission, Robert F. Winston.  
Moulton and Hillsboro Circuit, Francis M. Grace.  
Danville, Wilson Williams.  
Hartsell's, Benjamin F. Lea.  
Muscle Shoals Circuit, to be supplied (by J. W. Moran).  
Somerville Circuit, James H. Cameron.  
Antioch, R. W. McKelvey.

FLORENCE DISTRICT.

*R. A. Timmons, P. E.*

Florence Station, John A. Thompson.  
South Florence and Pride's Chapel, John S. Davis.  
Shoal Circuit, John G. Gibson.  
Lentzville Circuit, D. W. Ward; Thomas F. Brown, Sup.  
Rogersville Circuit and Lexington Mission, J. J. Crow.  
Cypress Circuit, Carrol C. O'Neal.  
Oakland Circuit, Robert T. Bentley.  
Waterloo Circuit, James W. Tucker.  
Tuscumbia Station, John G. Walker.  
Valley Station, Z. A. Parker.  
Chickasaw Circuit, M. E. Tumlin.  
Frankfort Circuit, George W. Hamilton; M. L. White, Sup.  
Mt. Mills Mission, James W. C. Faires.  
State Normal School, Hardie Brown, Professor.

GUNTERSVILLE DISTRICT.

*W. L. Clifton, P. E.*

Guntersville Station, John W. Newman.  
Tennessee Valley Circuit, James S. Glasgow.  
Valley Head Circuit, John B. Gregory.  
Cedar Bluff Circuit, Isaac Q. Melton.  
Ambersenville Circuit, James A. Neely.  
Gadsden Station, William E. Mabry.  
Gadsden Circuit, Thomas G. Slaughter.  
Atalla Circuit, A. N. Lowrie.  
Bristoe's Cove Circuit, James M. Dobbs.  
Summit Circuit, Reuben J. Wilson.  
Lookout Mountain Mission, B. H. O. Cochran.

TALLADEGA DISTRICT.

*Anson West, P. E.*

Talladega Station, J. M. Boland.  
Talladega Circuit, Largus R. Bell, C. S. D. Lasser.  
White Plains and Oxford, John B. Stevenson.  
Alexandria Circuit, C. M. Livingston, R. T. Goodrum.  
Cross Plains Circuit, Charles A. Allday.  
Ball Play Mission, Hugh P. Berry.  
Fayetteville Circuit, Thomas P. Roberts.  
Croppwell Circuit, Isaac M. Blanton.

Harpersville and Columbiana Circuit, Charles C. Ellis.  
Chandler Springs Mission, John T. Wilkins.  
Davisville Circuit, W. McDaniel Howell.

BIRMINGHAM DISTRICT.

*J. G. Gurley, P. E.*

Birmingham Station, James W. Christian.  
Oxmoor and Helena Station, Henry D. Hill.  
Jonesboro Circuit, Evan Nicholson.  
Pleasant Hill Circuit, Robert G. Isbell.  
Tuscaloosa Circuit, W. T. Keith.  
Montevallo Station, J. T. Curry.  
Montevallo Circuit, Robert T. Blackwell.  
Ashville Circuit, Robert J. Sampler.  
Murphree's Valley, John L. Ferguson.  
Hanover, William H. Armstrong.  
Jones's Valley, William McCoy.  
Cahaba Mission, Sam. R. Emerson.  
Blount Springs Circuit, J. C. Brown.  
Blountville Circuit, C. N. McLeod.  
New Castle, Jo. T. Morris.

LA FAYETTE DISTRICT.

*Moses L. Whitten, P. E.*

La Fayette Station, B. F. Larrabee.  
Oak Bowery Circuit, W. T. Pattillo.  
Dadeville Circuit, B. B. McCraw.  
Pinckneyville Circuit, W. D. Nicholson.  
Alexandria Circuit, C. L. Dobbs.  
Socopatoy Circuit, Moses N. Morris.  
Hatchet Creek Mission, to be supplied.  
Fredonia Circuit, Robert F. Mountain.  
Louina Circuit, R. D. Evans; James M. Towles, Sup.  
Arbacoochee Circuit, James E. McCain.  
Wedowee Mission, to be supplied.  
Lineville Circuit, E. W. Jones.  
Chattahoochee Mission, William R. Williams.

TUSCALOOSA DISTRICT.

*Lawrence M. Wilson, P. E.*

Tuscaloosa Station, F. T. J. Brandon.  
North Port Circuit, V. O. Hawkins.  
Sheffield Circuit, Benjamin G. Blackwell.  
North River Mission, to be supplied.  
Gordo Circuit, C. Godbey.  
Clear Creek Circuit, John R. Nelson.  
Carrollton Circuit, James L. Brittain.  
Jasper Circuit, James E. Andrews.  
Pickensville, John W. Baine.  
Fairfield, A. G. Copeland.  
Yorkville, R. D. Carver.  
Fayette Circuit, George L. W. Anthony.  
Luxapalila Circuit, John B. Cole.  
Vernon Circuit, James T. Miller.  
Pikeville Mission, G. M. G. Dunkin.  
Bexar Circuit, E. F. S. Roberts.

## NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SALISBURY, N. C., November 28–December 5, 1877.

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; B. CRAVEN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Nerens E. Coltrane, Joseph C. Rowe, Pinckney L. Groom, James H. Cardon, Samuel McLeod, Andrew P. Tyer, William P. McCorkle, Thomas J. Browning, Charles M. Gentry, Rufus C. Beaman. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? William B. Doub, Walter S. Creasy, F. A. Bishop, G. W. Hardison, E. J. Eudaily, J. T. Lyon, J. B. Carpenter. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? N. G. Whittington, J. C. Smith—at their own request. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? J. M. Rhodes, B. R. Hall, N. S. Norton. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? M. C. Fields. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Thomas S. Campbell, from the North Mississippi Conference. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? N. M. Jurney, J. T. Gibbs, J. R. Scroggs, J. M. Lumley, J. W. Randle, T. P. England, W. S. Rone, L. L. Nash, M. W. Boyles, J. F. Craven, C. A. Gault. 11.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? J. M. Rhodes, B. R. Hall. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? J. M. Rhodes, B. R. Hall. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Thomas Ragan, Alfred Carson, Joseph M. Matthews, Robert M. Hoyle, James W. Craig. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Alfred Carson, Robert M. Hoyle, F. R. Kaylor, Joseph M. Matthews, J. T. Littlejohn, J. W. Craig. 6.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? L. J. Holden, W. H. Watkins, P. Greening, P. F. W. Stamey, L. E. Stacey. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? L. J. Holden, W. H. Watkins, P. Greening, P. F. W. Stamey, L. E. Stacey. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? E. A. Wilson, A. K. Murchison. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? W. W. Womac, David Brown. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Gaston Farrar, J. W. Puett, E. Howland, W. D. D. Lee, J. W. Avent, T. C. Moses. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? D. C. Jolinson, John Jones, S. B. Dozier, W. D. Meacham, R. P. Bibb, W. M. D. Moore, J. H. Hill, J. N. Somers, B. T. Blake, J. W. Floyd, G. E. Wyche, Henry Gray, C. W. King, T. P. England, W. W. Albea. 15.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Eugene W. Thompson. 1.

EUGENE W. THOMPSON, an honored member of the North Carolina Conference, died in the town of Morganton, N. C., a few minutes before one o'clock Thursday morning, April 5, 1877, in the prime of a beautiful and noble manhood. He was born in Kershaw county, South Carolina, in the year 1833. His education was received at Camden, Columbia, and Cokesbury, S. C. At the last-named place he spent two years under the instruction of the Rev. George H. Round, now of Lenoir, N. C. He was converted to God under the ministry of the Rev. H. C. Parsons, of the South Carolina Conference, and was licensed to preach, and joined the South Carolina Conference, in 1854, with F. Milton Kennedy, now editor of the *Southern Christian Advocate*; Jesse S. Nelson, presiding elder of Fayetteville District; Samuel B. Jones, Landy Wood, A. A. Connelly, and others, and was appointed to Wadesboro Circuit as junior preacher with the Rev. Sidi H. Browne. The next year he was sent to Spartanburg Circuit with the Rev. Daniel May. The next two years he was pastor of Shelby Circuit. At the close of his last year on Shelby Circuit he was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Lowe, daughter of Sheriff Isaac Lowe, of Lincoln county, North Carolina. She, with one son, survives him. Her bereavement is that of the Church; but no doubt she suffers the keenest pangs of grief, and our sympathies and prayers are most enlisted for the greatest sufferer. The year after his marriage he was sent to Lincoln Circuit. The next two years he served Concord Circuit. In 1862 he was sent to Cheraw Station, South Carolina, where he remained until the autumn of that year, when he joined the Army of Northern Virginia, under Gen. Lee, as chaplain, where he remained until the close of the war. After the war, he served Wadesboro Circuit four years, and was then sent to Tryon Street Church, Charlotte, where he remained one year. While he was stationed in Charlotte the territory in Western North Carolina belonging to the South Carolina Conference was transferred to the North Carolina Conference, and he was transferred with it. At the session of the Conference held at Greensboro he was made presiding elder of Shelby District. He remained two years on the district, but the work was considered too heavy for him, on account of a throat-affection from which he was suffering at the time, and, to the regret of the entire Church in the bounds of the district, he was sent to Fayetteville, where he remained four years. His failing health compelled him to have an assistant during the last year of his stay at Fayetteville; but growing weaker every

day, he thought it best at the close of his last year there to take a superannuated relation to the Conference, and came to Morganton, hoping that the dry atmosphere and bracing air of this mountain clime would restore his health; but alas! that fell destroyer, pulmonary consumption, had already laid its icy hands upon him and marked him for its own, and the powers of life gradually gave way before it until the Master said, "Come up higher." For twenty-three years Brother Thompson was a standard-bearer for Christ, and during that period his character, both private and official, was unstained by a single blot. Of commanding presence and deportment, he was, wherever seen, a model specimen of the dignified Christian minister. The purity and consistency of his private life imparted a momentum to his pulpit ministrations which secured for him a distinguished measure of success in winning souls to Christ. He was a charming preacher. We have heard him when the consolations of the gospel fell from his lips as honey from the rock, and the message of salvation came down and soothed the brow of care like an angel's wing. The pathos of his sympathy, O how touching and tender! beneath its magic charm sorrow bloomed and tears were turned to gladness. "But the harp is broken, and its music is gone," the pleasant voice is hushed, the congregations of earth will listen to him never again, the pulpit will know him no more forever. "Called and chosen and faithful." He has been summoned from among us, and his name passes from the roll of the Conference, but his memory will linger with his brethren as an inspiration and incentive to all that is manly and noble and heroic in the Christian ministry. He was very much attached to his congregation in Fayetteville, and the good people of that place, without regard to religious denomination, loved him dearly. When it was seen that his earthly pilgrimage was soon to end, Brother Claywell, of Morganton, asked him if he had a message he would like to send to any one. After thinking a moment, he said: "Yes; I would be glad if you send word to my congregation in Fayetteville that when the last struggle came I was ready." And after a moment he said, "I would be glad to go now." Several days before his death he was asked how he felt in view of the dissolution which he saw and felt was approaching rapidly, and he said he would like to live. "I feel sad to think of leaving my wife and only son and all of my friends," said he. "I would be pleased, if it were God's will, to live and preach the gospel; but it is all right. Please say to my brethren in the Conference that at the Master's last call I was ready." In the history of Brother Thompson there is no voice to deplore, and while he may have had faults, still a world of such men would make earth very much like heaven. Alive, he was a demonstration of Christianity; being dead, he yet speaketh, proclaiming to all that God is faithful. God be praised for such a life and for such a death!

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in

their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Raleigh District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Raleigh: Ede. 'on Street.....	475	.....	3
Person Street.....	240	.....	1
Cary.....	371	.....	1
Rolesville.....	612	1	.....
Smithfield.....	418	3	3
Tar River.....	748	7	3
Youngville Mission.....	125	.....	.....
Louisburg.....	140	.....	1
Oxford.....	455	5	3
Granville.....	446	.....	1
Henderson.....	515	3	.....
Nashville.....	807	5	2
	5352	24	18

#### Hillsboro District.

Hillsboro.....	287	1	1
Durham.....	199	.....	.....
Alamance.....	513	2	1
Chapel Hill and Haw River.....	590	8	7
Pittsboro.....	627	2	1
Yanceyville.....	449	.....	.....
Deep River.....	548	2	4
Leasburg.....	533	1	2
Person.....	476	.....	1
Orange.....	812	.....	.....
	5034	16	17

#### Greensboro District.

Greensboro.....	297	1	1
North Guilford.....	555	.....	5
South Guilford.....	772	.....	3
Thomasville and High Point.....	486	.....	1
Trinity.....	160	.....	4
Davidson.....	806	.....	1
Randolph.....	710	1	1
Forsyth.....	724	.....	6
Winston.....	200	5	2
Stokes.....	355	10	.....
Madison.....	365	14	2
Wentworth.....	652	4	1
	6182	25	27

#### Salisbury District.

Salisbury.....	136	2	1
Salisbury Circuit.....	532	.....	1
Moorestville.....	728	.....	2
Statesville.....	157	.....	.....
Statesville Circuit.....	320	.....	.....
Mocksville.....	672	.....	2
Davie.....	477	.....	1
Iredell.....	493	.....	1
Alexander.....	625	.....	3
Wilkes.....	332	1	1
Yadkinville.....	557	2	5
Mt. Airy.....	304	.....	1
Sauratown Mission.....	162	.....	3
Surry.....	558	10	8
Blue Ridge Mission.....	19	.....	.....
	6099	15	29

#### Shelby District.

Shelby.....	135	.....	1
Shelby Circuit.....	486	.....	4
Cleveland.....	548	.....	3
Cherry Mountain.....	356	.....	1
Rutherfordton.....	347	.....	1
Columbus Mission.....	122	.....	2
Marion.....	464	1	2
Upper Broad River Mission.....	97	.....	.....
Morganton.....	75	.....	2
Morganton Circuit.....	970	.....	2

## Shelby District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Caldwell.....	752	5	4
Lenoir.....	148	.....	4
Happy Home.....	384	1	4
Newton.....	635	.....	.....
Rock Spring.....	805	.....	2
South Fork.....	656	.....	4
Dallas.....	576	.....	.....
Lincolnton.....	406	2	2
	7962	9	38

## Charlotte District.

Charlotte: Tryon Street.....	439	.....	2
Calvary Mission.....	146	.....	3
South Charlotte.....	570	2	.....
Pineville.....	325	.....	1
Pleasant Grove.....	575	.....	.....
Monroe.....	211	1	.....
Monroe Circuit.....	455	.....	2
Concord.....	131	.....	.....
Concord Circuit.....	328	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant.....	546	.....	1
Albemarle.....	712	.....	2
Stanley.....	465	.....	1
Ansonville.....	415	6	2
Wadesboro.....	166	.....	.....
Wadesboro Circuit.....	544	1	1
Lilleville.....	348	.....	.....
	6376	10	15

## Fayetteville District.

Fayetteville.....	301	2	1
Cumberland.....	417	.....	1
Robeson.....	950	280	7
Drowning Creek.....	36	2	.....
Laurinburg.....	547	.....	1
Rockingham.....	738	.....	6
Pedee.....	710	12	2
Uwharrie.....	672	.....	.....
Montgomery.....	504	2	3
Carthage.....	742	.....	1
Jonesboro.....	650	.....	1
Buckhorn.....	567	.....	4
	6834	298	27

## Wilmington District.

Wilmington: Front Street.....	400	6	1
Fifth Street.....	173	.....	.....
Topsail.....	414	.....	1
Kenansville.....	350	.....	1
Magnolia.....	304	.....	.....
Clinton.....	482	11	3
Cokesbury.....	670	.....	2
Coharie Mission.....	77	.....	.....
Bladen.....	215	.....	2
Elizabeth.....	300	.....	1
Whiteville.....	480	.....	1
Waccamaw.....	213	3	1
Smithville.....	500	.....	2
Onslow.....	320	.....	.....
	5198	20	15

## New Berne District.

New Berne.....	301	.....	1
Goldsboro.....	210	.....	1
Wilson.....	246	.....	1
Wayne.....	517	.....	2
Mt. Olive.....	475	1	1
Kinston.....	100	.....	1
Snow Hill.....	495	.....	3
Neuse.....	337	1	4
Lenoir.....	330	.....	.....
Swift Creek.....	281	.....	3
Craven.....	214	.....	1
Jones.....	250	.....	.....
Beaufort.....	275	.....	1
Carteret.....	457	1	1
Straits.....	184	.....	.....
	4672	3	20

## Washington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Washington and Greenville.....	310	.....	4
Warrenfon.....	67	.....	1
Warren.....	569	.....	.....
Littleton.....	442	.....	3
Halifax.....	299	1	3
Tarboro.....	76	.....	.....
Edgecombe.....	306	.....	1
Edgecombe Mission.....	6	.....	.....
Williamston.....	560	1	6
Plymouth and Jamesville.....	199	1	.....
Columbia.....	426	.....	1
Bath.....	300	.....	1
Mattamuskeet.....	593	.....	2
Portsmouth and Ocracoke.....	150	.....	.....
Cape Hatteras.....	378	.....	6
	4681	3	28

## Recapitulation.

Raleigh District.....	5352	24	18
Hillsboro ".....	5034	16	17
Greensboro ".....	6182	35	27
Salisbury ".....	6099	15	29
Shelby ".....	7962	9	38
Charlotte ".....	6376	10	15
Fayetteville ".....	6834	298	27
Wilmington ".....	5198	20	15
New Berne ".....	4672	3	20
Washington ".....	4681	3	28
Total this year.....	58,390	433	234
Total last year.....	55,816	355	236
Increase.....	2,574	78	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	2

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 2,339.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,884.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 665.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 3,979.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 30,955.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$4,212.33. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$3,518.13; Domestic Missions, \$2,428.41. Total, \$5,946.54.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Charlotte, N. C.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## RALEIGH DISTRICT.

N. H. D. Wilson, P. E.

Raleigh: Edenton Street, W. S. Black.

Person Street, W. C. Norman.

Cary, W. M. Jordan.

Rolesville, L. J. Holden.

Smithfield, R. M. Brown.

Tar River, R. S. Webb.

Youngville, R. C. Beaman.

Louisburg, T. W. Smith.

Oxford, J. T. Gibbs.

Granville, J. E. Thompson.

Henderson, R. O. Burton.  
Nashville, S. J. McLeod.  
Louisburg Female College, F. L. Reid, President.  
*Raleigh Christian Advocate*, J. B. Bobbitt, Editor.

### HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

*L. L. Hendren, P. E.*

Hillsboro, Joseph H. Wheeler.  
Durham, F. H. Wood.  
Chapel Hill, J. F. Heitman.  
Orange, J. B. Martin.  
Person, H. H. Gibbons.  
Leasburg, R. A. Willis.  
Yanceyville, L. H. Gibbons.  
Alamance, R. F. Bumpass.  
Haw River, W. H. Moore.  
Pittsboro, T. J. Gattis.  
Deep River, J. F. Craven; Gaston Farrar, T. C. Moses, Sup.  
University of North Carolina, A. W. Mangum, Professor.

### GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

*M. L. Wood, P. E.*

Greensboro, S. D. Adams.  
North Guilford, A. D. Betts.  
South Guilford, J. R. Scroggs.  
Asheboro, A. P. Tyer; E. Howland, Sup.  
Randolph, C. H. Phillips.  
Trinity Station, B. Craven.  
Thomasville and High Point, P. L. Herman.  
Lexington Station, T. C. Campbell.  
Davidson, M. C. Thomas.  
Winston, P. J. Caraway.  
Forsythe, M. J. Hunt.  
Stokes, T. H. Pegram.  
Madison, T. L. Hoyle.  
Wentworth, V. A. Sharpe.  
Greensboro Female College, J. A. Cunningham, Agent.  
Trinity College, B. Craven, President; J. A. Cunningham, Agent.

### SALISBURY DISTRICT.

*D. R. Bruton, P. E.*

Salisbury, J. J. Renn.  
Salisbury Circuit, J. W. Lewis.  
Moorsville, T. L. Triplett.  
Statesville, T. A. Coon.  
Statesville Circuit, N. S. Norton.  
Mocksville, T. A. Boone.  
Davie, W. C. Willson.  
Iredell, James Wheeler.  
Alexander, J. C. Rowe.  
Hunting Creek Mission, A. M. Long.  
Yadkinville, S. D. Peeler.  
Mt. Airy, James Willson.  
Surry, W. S. Creasy, C. M. Gentry.  
Pilot Mountain, S. H. Helsabeck.  
Wilkes, E. S. Eudaily.

### SHELBY DISTRICT.

*J. S. Nelson, P. E.*

Shelby, J. W. North.  
Shelby Circuit, H. T. Hudson.  
Double Shoals, J. D. Carpenter.

Cherry Mountain, to be supplied (by R. M. Hoyle).  
Rutherfordton, G. F. Round.  
Columbus Mission, to be supplied (by A. E. Wiley).  
Marion, C. A. Gault.  
Upper Broad River Mission, W. B. Maness.  
Morganton, P. L. Groom.  
Morganton Circuit, P. F. W. Stamey.  
Lenoir, W. M. Robey.  
Lenoir Circuit, J. S. Ervin.  
Caldwell, J. C. Crisp.  
Happy Home, J. C. Hartsell.  
Newton, C. M. Anderson.  
Rock Spring, G. W. Ivey.  
South Fork, W. S. Chaffin.  
Dallas, J. B. Carpenter; J. W. Puett, Sup.  
Lincolnton, J. T. Harris.

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.

*W. H. Bobbitt, P. E.*

Charlotte: Tryon Street, A. A. Boshamer.  
Calvary Mission, to be supplied (by J. F. Butt).  
North Charlotte, W. S. Haltom.  
South Charlotte, M. H. Hoyle.  
Pineville, L. E. Stacy.  
Pleasant Grove, R. T. N. Stephenson.  
Monroe Circuit, Z. Rush.  
Monroe Station, J. H. Guinn.  
Concord, H. P. Cole.  
Concord Circuit, J. C. Thomas.  
Mt. Pleasant, J. B. Alford.  
Albemarle, Ira T. Wyche.  
Stanley, Miles Foy.  
Ansonville, T. H. Edwards.  
Wadesboro, T. W. Guthrie.  
Wadesboro Circuit, O. J. Brent.  
Lilesville, C. M. Pepper.

### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

*R. G. Barrett, P. E.*

Fayetteville, L. W. Crawford.  
Cumberland, F. A. Bishop.  
Lumberton, D. May.  
Robeson, J. J. Carden.  
Laurinburg, B. C. Phillips.  
Rockingham, J. W. Jenkins.  
Mt. Gilead, M. V. Sherrill.  
Pekin, W. B. Doub.  
Uwharrie, M. W. Boyles.  
Montgomery, J. F. Keerans.  
Carthage, J. Tillet.  
Jonesboro, S. V. Hoyle.  
Buckhorn, P. Greening; J. W. Avent, Sup.

### WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

*L. S. Burkhead, P. E.*

Wilmington: Front Street, E. A. Yates.  
Fifth Street, B. R. Hall.  
Topsail, J. B. Bailey.  
Duplin, T. P. Ricaud.  
Clinton, J. Sanford.  
Cokesbury, G. W. Hardison.  
Coharrie, H. F. Wiley.  
Bladen, Lemon Shell.  
Elizabeth, J. W. Randle.

Whiteville, J. T. Lyon.  
 Waccamaw, T. J. Browning.  
 Smithville, D. Culbreth.  
 Onslow, W. P. McCorkle.

## NEW BERNE DISTRICT.

*William Closs, P. E.*

New Berne, J. R. Brooks.  
 Goldsboro, J. T. Bagwell.  
 Wilson, C. C. Dodson.  
 Wayne, W. C. Gannon.  
 Mt. Olive, W. H. Watson.  
 Kinston, J. P. Simpson.  
 Snow Hill, W. H. Call.  
 Neuse, to be supplied.  
 Lenoir, B. B. Culbreth.  
 Swift Creek, to be supplied (by William Wine).  
 Craven, T. B. Reeks.  
 Jones, J. Johnson.  
 Beaufort, J. W. Wheeler.  
 Carteret, N. M. Journey.  
 Straits, M. C. Fields.

## WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

*J. E. Mann, P. E.*

Warrenton, J. M. Rhodes.  
 Warren, J. R. Griffith.  
 Roanoke, J. P. Moore.  
 Halifax, A. R. Raven.  
 Tarboro, W. S. Rone.  
 Edgecombe, F. D. Swindell.  
 Edgecombe Mission, to be supplied (by E. D. Hoover).  
 Williamston, J. D. Buie.  
 Greenville, L. L. Nash.  
 Washington, J. N. Andrews.  
 Plymouth and Jamesville, S. M. Davis.  
 Columbia, J. Mahoney.  
 Bath, J. L. Lumley.  
 Mattamuskeet, J. Cordon.  
 Portsmouth, Oeraeoke, and Hatteras, N. A. Hooker.

N. E. Coltrane transferred to the Pacific Conference.

## NORTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GAINESVILLE, GA., *November 28–December 4, 1877.*

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; JOHN W. HEIDT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
 ANSWER. Richard B. O. England, Lovick P. Winter, Paul F. Connally, Charles S. Owen, John B. Robbins, Peyton L. Stanton, Nonymous E. McBrayer, J. Thomas Gibson. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Miles H. Dillard, Asbury W. Quillian, Elias B. Rees, Michael D. Turner, Merritt J. Cofer, Robert L. Campbell, William O. Butler, Oliver C. Simmons, John H. Ellis, Nicholas Z. Glenn. 10.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Edwin I. Smith. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? George W. Duval, Henry M. Quillian, John W. Quillian, William D. Anderson, John D. Hammond, Warren A. Candler, Osgood A. Thrower, Elias H. Wood, William E. Shackleford, James L. Perryman, F. C. Timmons. 11.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? William D. Heath, Samuel D. Evans. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Julius T. Curtis, from the Denver Conference; Willard W. Wadsworth, from the North Mississippi Conference; W. H. Weaver, from the Holston Conference; William F. Robinson, from the South Georgia Conference; Thomas R. Pierce. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

James E. England, Jesse J. Harris, Thomas J. Edwards, William H. Trammell, James W. Lee, Franklin M. T. Brannon, Edward A. Gray, Thomas R. Kendall, Andrew J. Hughes, Charles L. Pattillo, John T. Richardson, George W. Thomas, F. C. Timmons, John D. Hammond. 14.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? George W. Duval, Henry M. Quillian, John W. Quillian, William D. Anderson, Warren A. Candler, Osgood A. Thrower, Elias H. Wood, William E. Shackleford, James L. Perryman. 9.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? G. W. Duval, H. M. Quillian, J. W. Quillian, W. D. Anderson, W. A. Candler, O. A. Thrower, E. H. Wood, W. E. Shackleford, J. L. Perryman. 9.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Lovick P. Winter, John F. Jones, Henry H. Fitzpatrick, Henry C. Johnson, Michael T. Burtz, John M. Watkins, Felix G. Smith, Nonymous E. McBrayer, Doctor Franklin Rutherford, Jacob N. Austin, Jessup L. Johnson, William R. Williams, William C. Carter, Charles M. Cronie, Joseph N. Rivers, Wiley C. Smith, John J. Sneed, Lindsey N. Holland, David B. Whitfield. 19.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Lovick P. Winter, John F. Jones, Henry C. Johnson, Wm. R. Williams, Charles M. Cronie, Wiley C. Smith, David B. Whitfield, Michael T. Burtz, Andrew J. Watters, Nicholas A. Moss, James M. Bishop, Felix G. Smith, Nonymous E. McBrayer, Doctor Franklin Rutherford, Jacob N. Austin. Jessup L. Johnson. 16.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? John H. Mashburn, Richard W. Rogers, John W. G. Watkins, William L. Wootten, William H. Speer, Walter L. Yarbrough, Wm. Robert Foote, Joseph H. Bentley, George E. Bonner, Wm. W. Lampkin. 10.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? J. H. Mashburn, R. W. Rogers, J. W. G. Watkins, William L. Wootten, William H. Speer, W. L. Yarbrough, William Robert Foote, Joseph H. Bentley, George E. Bonner, William W. Lampkin. 10.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Emory F. Anderson, Ellison D. Stone, William J. Gilleland, Nicholas F. Howard, William H. McAfee, William B. Bell, Amos Thornburgh, Samuel D. Evans, Joel D. Gunnels, Edward Lowery, John M. White, Smith H. Griffin (orders recognized from the Methodist Protestant Church), Thomas T. Key (orders recognized from the Methodist Protestant Church). 13.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Emory F. Anderson, William J. Gilleland, Nicholas F. Howard, William B. Bell, Samuel D. Evans, Edward Lowery, John M. White, Joel D. Gunnels. 8.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? George W. Thomas, Peter A. Heard, Alexander Means, E. G. Murrah, J. T. Norris, R. H. Jones. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Andrew J. Deavors, James M. Dickey, R. J. Harwell, J. P. Howell, M. F. Malsby, W. M. Crumley, R. A. Conner, H. Crawford, J. M. Bright, J. M. Armstrong, J. P. Duncan, M. G. Hamby, J. B. C. Quillian, G. Hughes, M. Bellah, C. Trussell, N. H. Palmer, J. W. Knight, W. J. Scott, W. J. Wardlaw, S. J. Bellah, D. Kelsey, J. Jones. B. F. Farris, J. Lewis, J. Chambers. 26.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of David Nolan, an elder, who was expelled from the Church.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? White members, 56,599; colored members, 55; local preachers, 420. (No details.)

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,604.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 5,033.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 585.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 3,778.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 30,487.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$9,007.60.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$5,706.55. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$4,216.70; Domestic Missions, \$3,734.99. Total, \$7,951.69.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Marietta, Ga.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### ATHENS DISTRICT.

*R. W. Bigham, P. E.*

Athens: Athens Station, W. H. Porter; P. A. Heard, Sup.

Oconee Street, J. D. Hammond.

Factory Mission, to be supplied (by W. T. Bell).

Watkinsville, M. W. Arnold, M. D. Turner.

Madison, T. A. Seals.

Morgan, J. A. England.

Rutledge, J. B. Robbins.

Greensboro, W. T. Hamilton.

White Plains, W. P. Lovejoy.

Lexington, H. J. Ellis.

Winterville, H. C. Christian.

Washington, W. P. Pledger.

Broad River, C. A. Mitchell.

Little River, W. L. Wootten.

Barnett, J. L. Pierce.

Lincolnton, W. H. Trammell, M. H. Dillard.

Professor University of Georgia, E. W. Speer.

#### ATLANTA DISTRICT.

*W. F. Cook, P. E.*

Atlanta: First Church, H. H. Parks.

Trinity, J. E. Evans.

Evans's Chapel and Oakland, G. E. Gardiner.

Payne's Chapel, W. F. Quillian.

St. Paul's, F. A. Kimbell.

Sixth Church and West End, W. A. Candler.

Decatur and Edgewood, J. A. Reynolds.

East Point, W. R. Foote, sr.

Fulton, J. J. Morgan.

Stone Mountain, W. F. Smith.

Conyers, F. B. Davies.

South River, E. K. Aiken.

Covington, C. W. Key.

Newborn, S. P. Jones.

Newton, J. W. Yarbrough.

Oxford, Morgan Callaway.

Mt. Tabor and Sardis, W. R. Branham, jr.

Monticello, J. A. Rosser.

Monroe, D. F. C. Timmons.

Social Circle, W. R. Branham, sr.

Emory College, A. G. Haygood, President; M.

Callaway, Professor.

Orphans' Home, J. L. Lupo, Superintendent;

Agency to be supplied (by W. J. Scott).

W. P. Harrison, Chaplain United States Congress.

## AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

*T. F. Pierce, P. E.*

Augusta: St. John's, C. A. Evans.  
 St. Luke's, M. J. Cofer.  
 St. James's, A. J. Jarrell.  
 Jones's Chapel, W. R. Foote, jr.  
 Asbury, F. G. Hughes.  
 Richmond, R. A. Seale.  
 Appling, W. W. Oslin, A. W. Quillian.  
 Deering Mission, to be supplied (by E. P. Bonner).  
 Thomson, W. C. Dunlap.  
 Warrenton, J. R. Parker.  
 Sparta, W. A. Dodge.  
 Hancock, G. H. Patillo, one to be supplied (by G. M. Kendrick).  
 Milledgeville, G. G. Smith.  
 Baldwin, E. A. Gray.  
 Eatonton, J. D. Gray.  
 Putnam, F. P. Brown, one to be supplied (by J. R. Smith).

## DAHLONEGA DISTRICT.

*J. W. Stipe, P. E.*

Dahlonega, A. C. Thomas.  
 Porter Springs, T. J. Edwards.  
 Dawsonville, C. L. Patillo.  
 Amicalola, J. H. Ellis.  
 Cleveland, J. R. Pate.  
 Nacoochee, G. W. Hardaway.  
 Blairsville, Eli Smith.  
 Morganton, W. H. Speer.  
 Ellijay, J. W. Quillian.  
 Jasper and Pickens Mission, J. H. Bentley, N. E. McBreyer.  
 Clayton and Mission, E. H. Wood, R. B. O. England.  
 Hiwassee, W. H. Weaver.

## DALTON DISTRICT.

*A. M. Thigpen, P. E.*

Dalton, P. M. Ryburn.  
 Dalton Circuit, R. P. Martyn.  
 Ringgold, M. L. Underwood; G. W. Thomas, Sup.  
 Summerville, G. W. Duval.  
 Subligna, E. B. Rees.  
 La Fayette, A. J. Hughes.  
 McLemore's Cove, P. G. Reynolds.  
 Tilton, P. L. Stanton.  
 Spring Place, J. T. Richardson.  
 Murray Mission, J. N. Myers.  
 Calhoun and Oothcaloga, A. W. Williams.  
 Gordon, W. G. Hanson.  
 Kingston, W. F. Robinson.  
 Dalton Female College, W. A. Rogers, President.

## ELBERTON DISTRICT.

*A. G. Worley, P. E.*

Elberton, W. J. Cotter.  
 Elbert, W. A. Florence.  
 Bethlehem, J. W. G. Watkins.  
 Jefferson, C. C. Cary.  
 Franklin Springs, G. C. Andrews.

Mulberry, M. H. Eakes.  
 Carnesville, W. T. Norman.  
 Danielsville, C. A. Conaway.  
 Homer, R. L. Campbell.  
 Harmony Grove, L. P. Winter.  
 Toccoa and Tugalo Mission, J. T. Curtiss.  
 Hartwell, W. A. Farris.  
 Clarksville, J. G. Parks.  
 Air Line Mission, to be supplied.

## GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.

*J. F. Mixon, P. E.*

Gainesville, W. W. Wadsworth.  
 Alpharetta, W. P. Smith.  
 Canton, J. M. Lowery.  
 Cherokee, J. J. Harris.  
 Cumming, W. T. Laine.  
 Flowery Branch, J. H. Mashburn.  
 Belton, W. E. Shackelford.  
 Lawrenceville, H. M. Quillian.  
 Loganville, J. S. Embry.  
 Duluth, J. Rembert Smith.  
 Roswell and Mt. Pleasant, D. L. Anderson.  
 Cobb, to be supplied (by S. J. Bellah).  
 Norcross, W. A. Simmons.  
 Etowah, J. W. Baker.

## GRIFFIN DISTRICT.

*Jesse Boring, P. E.*

Griffin, D. J. Myrick; A. Means, Sup.  
 Zebulon, T. S. L. Harwell.  
 Fayetteville, B. Sanders.  
 Jonesboro, J. M. Bowden.  
 McDonough, R. W. Rogers.  
 Hampton, T. R. Kendall.  
 Jackson, A. W. Rowland.  
 Pleasant Hill, S. D. Evans.  
 Barnesville, W. P. Rivers.  
 Milner, R. H. Rogers.  
 Upson, J. B. Payne.  
 Thomaston, R. R. Johnson.  
 Forsyth, S. J. Davies.  
 Forsyth Circuit, J. T. Lowe.  
 Clinton, George E. Bonner.  
 Culloden, S. Leake.  
 Ocmulgee, to be supplied (by M. C. McKessick).

## LA GRANGE DISTRICT.

*J. W. Heidt, P. E.*

La Grange, W. H. La Prade.  
 West Point, W. F. Lewis.  
 Newnan, W. F. Glenn.  
 Troup, W. T. Caldwell.  
 Long Cane, J. W. Lee.  
 Whitesville, F. M. T. Brannon.  
 Greenville and Trinity, J. S. Bryan.  
 Chalybeate Springs, to be supplied (by F. W. Baggerly).  
 King's Gap and County Line, J. Jones.  
 Grantville, M. H. White.  
 Whitesburg, J. L. Perryman.  
 Hogansville, W. M. D. Bond.  
 Senoia, L. Rush.  
 Palmetto and Jones, W. A. Parks.  
 Fairburn, L. P. Neese.  
 Carrollton, D. D. Cox.

Bowdon, to be supplied (by W. W. Simpson).  
Franklin, W. W. Lampkin.  
Prospect, C. S. Owen.  
La Grange Female College, J. R. Mayson.  
Y. J. Allen, Missionary to China.

ROME DISTRICT.

*S. P. Richardson, P. E.*

Rome, G. W. Yarbrough.  
De Soto, B. E. L. Timmons.  
Forestville, W. L. Yarbrough.  
Cedar Town, W. D. Anderson.  
Cedar Valley, O. C. Simmons.  
Cave Spring, O. A. Thrower.  
Rock Mart, W. D. Heath.

Villa Rica, D. J. Weems.  
Haralson, F. F. Reynolds.  
Cartersville, J. H. Baxter; J. T. Norris, Sup.  
Marietta, H. J. Adams.  
Acworth, J. J. Singleton; R. H. Jones, Sup.  
Powder Springs, A. Gray.  
Dallas, J. T. Gibson.  
Douglasville, J. Carr.

T. H. Timmons, W. T. McMichael, and Paul F. Connally transferred to the South Georgia Conference.

W. O. Butler, J. B. McFarland, and N. Z. Glenn transferred to the Florida Conference.

Thomas R. Pierce transferred to the North Texas Conference.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS., *November 28–December 3, 1877.*

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; JOHN BARCROFT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Albert W. Gibson, Wilbur F. Rozell, John H. Mitchell, Edward A. Tabor, James Porter, Rezin F. Waters, Elias G. Kilgore, John B. Adair, Carl M. Von Buren, J. M. Dunn. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Jesse T. Moody, James A. Bowen, John E. Thomas, James E. Eggleston, Charles N. Terry, David M. Cogdell, Thomas J. Newell, Daniel N. Foosé, Edward B. Ramsey, William M. Adams, Robert A. Burroughs. 11.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Jeffersonville Wyatt, M. C. Peques—both at their own request. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Henry C. Parrott, Thomas J. Harris, De Witt C. Brown, Thomas Y. Ramsey, jr., D. C. Foust, W. C. Lester, G. W. Gordon. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? John Ritchey. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? L. D. Worsham, Daniel W. Babb, Benjamin J. Phillips, James R. Roberson, James S. Carlton, William B. Murrah, William W. Williams, Noel R. Horner, Eugene Johnson. 9.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Henry C. Parrott, Thomas J. Harris, De Witt C. Brown, Thomas Y. Ramsey, jr., Daniel C. Foust, William C. Lester, George W. Gordon. 7.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Henry C. Parrott, Thomas J. Harris, De Witt C. Brown, Thomas Y. Ramsey, jr., Daniel C. Foust, William C. Lester, George W. Gordon. 7.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? John N. Mitchell, James M. Owen, George M. Lagrone, William K. Holland, David E. Cannon, Stephen F. Owen, Washington O. Foster, John W. Pittman, Ed. P. Stanley, William R. Perry, John B. Adair, George H. Jacobs, Samuel T. Porter, Vincent J. Self. 14.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Albert W. Gibson, John H. Mitchell, James M. Owen, George M. Lagrone, Ed. P. Stanley, John B. Adair, Samuel J. Porter, Vincent J. Self. 8.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? William L. Peebles, William J. O'Bryant, David Plews. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elder? William L. Peebles, William J. O'Bryant, David Plews. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? William H. Eckles, John G. W. Brown. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? John G. W. Brown. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? R. W. Yancey (at his own request), W. J. Smith (at his own request), D. O. Hughes (at his own request), T. G. Freeman. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? P. J. Eckles, J. W. Bates, A. A. Houston, W. Irby, A. R. Hines, W. R. Rainey, J. T. Cunningham, W. E. Ellis, J. K. Morris, W. L. Peebles, J. P. Commander, J. C. Lonee. 12.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? K. Adams, J. G. Carlisle, J. O. Woodward, E. J. Williams, L. H. Davis, W. J. Runes, George Shaeffer, G. D. Wade, W. C. Green. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Benjamin W. Stubbs, James A. Babb, William L. Bounner. 3.

BENJAMIN WHITE STUBBS was born October 22, 1832, in Milledgeville, Ga. His parents removed to Mississippi when he was quite a boy, and in 1854 he was converted to God at a protracted meeting conducted by the Rev. R. D. Wear, of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, at Carrollville, Miss. Soon after his conversion, he joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; and though then impressed with the duty of preaching the gospel, it was not till several years later, at the bedside of a dying mother, that he resolved to take up the cross. In the fall of 1857 he joined the Memphis Conference; was ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew, November 20, 1859; and ordained elder by Bishop Paine, at Jackson, Tenn., November 10, 1861. He traveled respectively the following circuits: 1858, Holly Springs; 1859, Byhalia; 1860-1, Hickory Flat; 1862, Salem; 1863, Ripley. In 1864 he was appointed to the Panola Circuit, and in due time he was at his post; but owing to the war, he was advised by the official members not to attempt to fill the work. Consequently, he went to his home, and was in 1865 returned to the Ripley Circuit; 1866-9, he traveled the Baldwin Circuit, and the Saltillo Circuit in 1870; 1871-2, Marietta Circuit; 1874-5, Baldwin; 1876, New Albany. At the Conference of 1876 he was appointed to the Ripley Circuit, which he traveled until July 21, when, on his way to an appointment, he was crushed to death by a falling tree. His life was pure and stainless, and his character was stamped with the fadeless truths he preached to the world. He possessed a warm, generous heart; cheerful, but not light; social, but always wearing a quiet dignity. He mingled with men of all denominations and with those of no ecclesiastical ties, never forgetting the sacredness of his office or the gravity of his mission. He was a sympathizing friend, often adding to his own burden the sorrows of others; yet he bore his trials with an unclouded brow; and though his appointments were sometimes regarded as an affliction, he never faltered in the discharge of duty. He carried his religion in every relation of life, chastening his conversation, regulating his business, and inspiring his devotions. In the pulpit his manner was simple, unstudied, and natural. His discourses were not easily or soon forgotten, the train of thought remaining in the mind of the hearer long after the voice of the speaker had died on the ear. Our beloved brother fell at his post, not slumbering on his armor, a warrior with sword in hand ready for the fight. He was deeply impressed that the shadow of death rested upon his near future. Some time before the reaper came with his sickle, he remarked to his presiding elder that he had received his last appointment from the Conference, stating at the same time that he had not the remotest idea of locating; but a vague feeling prompted him thus to express himself. In the Church none will be

more missed than he; in the Conference he will answer to his name no more, but that name is enrolled on high. His work is done. We yield his pure and gentle spirit back to God who gave it, in the blissful hope of the resurrection morn.

JAMES A. BABB, son of Matthew J. and Sarah J. Babb, was born in Tishomingo (now Alcorn) county, Mississippi, May 4, 1848. He received from his parents a careful religious training, and professed religion in the autumn of 1865. He was licensed to preach in 1873; and served the Jonestown Circuit as a supply during the year 1874. In the autumn of that year he was received on trial into the North Mississippi Conference, and appointed to the circuit supplied by him the previous year. These were years of prosperity to the Church in that circuit. In the autumn of 1875 he was sent to Boonville and Rienzi, where his labors were owned of God and blessed with a gracious revival of religion. At the session of Conference held at Sardis, Miss., November, 1876, he was ordained a deacon, and appointed to West Point and Tibbee. He entered upon his work in this charge in the spirit and power of his Master, and in a few weeks the buddings of a powerful work of grace were visible. He began a meeting at West Point early in March, which continued until July. Many precious souls were converted at this meeting and added to the Church. In July he began a meeting at Tibbee, which continued three weeks, and resulted in a gracious revival. At the close of this meeting he was so worn and weary in body that rest was imperative, and he took a short respite from labor. He was married on the 30th of August, 1877, to Miss Mary Morrison, of Kossuth, Miss. On his return, after his marriage, the people of his charge gave to him and his bride an appropriate and cordial reception. In the latter part of September he went with his wife to spend a few days with the family of the Rev. R. G. Porter, at the district parsonage in Brooksville. Here disease, which was already making unsuspected ravages upon his constitution, until recently so vigorous and strong, progressed rapidly; and on Tuesday, October 2d, he closed his brief but successful career. When informed that death was at hand, though greatly desiring to live, that he might do more work for God, he expressed himself ready for the change. As he went down into the dark valley, and the promises of God were repeated to him again and again, he would reply in words like these: "How sweet that is—it is so comforting!" "I know that is true!" "Thanks be unto God, that giveth us the victory, through our Lord Jesus Christ!" Brother Babb was a preacher of more than ordinary ability and promise. He was always fervent, earnest, and edifying. His manner was wonderfully persuasive. He excelled in pastoral work, visiting from house to house with words of admonition and consolation, as might be needed. His nature was ardent and loving. He was a true man and a faithful friend. His

career was brief but very useful; he had already accomplished much for the glory of God. He was in a state of delirium during the last hours of his life; and though oblivious to all earthly concerns, yet his mental power responded intelligently whenever these precious promises were spoken in his hearing. His last words were: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all." With this apostolic benediction, though spoken in a state of mind which rendered him unconscious of all else but Christ and his work, he dismissed the congregations of the Church militant, and went up to join the Church triumphant.

WILLIAM L. BONNER was born May 1, 1814; and died at his home in Water Valley, Miss., September 18, 1877. Brother Bonner was converted to God when about the age of eighteen years. A few years after he was licensed as a local preacher, and in 1838 he was received on trial in the Tennessee Conference. In 1840 he was ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew, at Jackson, Tenn. In 1842 he was ordained an elder by the same Bishop, at Holly Springs, Miss. For many years Brother Bonner was an active, useful, and acceptable member of the Memphis Conference, serving as pastor of Jackson, Marshall, Pontotoc, Fulton, Houston, Oxford, and other circuits in North Mississippi and West Tennessee. Some years ago, and for cause satisfactory to his own conscience, Brother Bonner became local; but in 1870 the North Mississippi Conference, prompted by love and sympathy, and in view of his past usefulness, readmitted him, only that we might take care of him and his devoted wife in their old age. For thirteen years he was a great sufferer, having been stricken with paralysis, which for seven years rendered him almost, if not entirely, helpless. But God gave him a kind and faithful wife, who with her children patiently cared for the uncomplaining invalid. To sum up the virtues and graces of this holy man of God, we may truthfully say he was a faithful laborer, a sound, strong, clear preacher, and a sweet-spirited Christian. Everywhere he went the people took knowledge of him that he had been with Jesus. Jesus and the resurrection were the central ideas of all his sermons. He studied the character of Jesus, preached his word, and lived a life of faith before his congregations; hence the many seals to his ministry and the stars in his crown. His last hours on earth were peaceful, triumphant, glorious. He selected the text and hymns to be used at his funeral; asked his friends to sing "How firm a foundation," and "I would not live away;" consoled his weeping wife, and then fell asleep in the arms of Jesus. His last words were: "I have long been ready for my Master's call, and all is calm; mine will be a happy exchange." Thus died the true and faithful man of God.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their

names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

*Holly Springs District.*

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Holly Springs Station.....	182	1
Holly Springs Circuit.....	320	2
Early Grove.....	174	1
Byhalia.....	207	.....
Marshall.....	218	.....
New Salem.....	179	3
Emory.....	250	.....
Ashland.....	250	2
Snow Creek.....	226	2
Cornersville.....	203	1
Hickory Flat.....	212	1
Pleasant Grove.....	251	1
	2772	14

*Hernando District.*

Hernando and Coldwater.....	163	.....
Horn Lake and Hine's Chapel.....	150	1
Lovetown.....	148	1
Cockrum.....	300	4
Pleasant Hill.....	134	2
Chulahoma.....	259	1
Mt. Vernon.....	348	2
Como and Fredonia.....	65	.....
Senatobia.....	378	2
Evansville Mission.....	51	.....
Sardis and Davis Chapel.....	181	.....
Longtown.....	389	2
	2566	15

*Grenada District.*

Batesville.....	274	3
Eureka.....	597	2
Coffeeville.....	392	.....
Charleston.....	301	3
Grenada Station.....	165	.....
Grenada Circuit.....	364	2
Water Valley Station.....	256	2
Springdale Mission.....	252	2
Wesley Chapel.....	85	3
Oxford Station.....	86	1
Oxford Circuit.....	456	1
Caswell Circuit.....	292	1
Banner.....	385	8
Calhoun.....	642	7
La Fayette Springs.....	191	3
	4738	38

*Greenville District.*

Greenville Station.....	70	1
Deer Creek.....	75	.....
Sunflower.....	67	1
Concordia and Australia.....	70	.....
Bolivar.....	33	.....
Friar's Point and Austin.....	52	.....
Jonestown.....	81	1
Cherry Hill.....	56	.....
Tallahatchie.....	40	1
Clarksdale.....	23	.....
Greenwood and Hazel Dell.....	105	.....
	682	4

*Winona District.*

Winona and Carrollton.....	121	.....
Winona Circuit.....	511	3
Black Hawk.....	544	4
Vaiden.....	324	.....
Durant.....	265	2
Richland.....	169	1
Lexington and Center Grove.....	61	2
Newport.....	200	1
Attala.....	436	2
Kosciusko.....	99	.....

## Winona District (continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Liberty.....	420	4
Shiloh.....	389	1
Bellefontaine.....	309	6
Hebron.....	161	1
	4000	27

## Columbus District.

Columbus Station.....	248	1
Columbus Circuit.....	382	3
Macon Station.....	176	1
Sparta.....	280	8
Starkville Station.....	171	.....
Crawfordville.....	216	1
West Point and Tibbee.....	123	1
Brooksville.....	250	.....
Shuqualak.....	223	3
Webster Mission.....	208	.....
Louisville.....	330	3
Plattsburg.....	318	3
Chester.....	515	1
	3440	25

## Aberdeen District.

Aberdeen Station.....	165	.....
Verona Station.....	120	.....
Athens.....	480	4
Vinton.....	97	2
Houston.....	835	2
Siloam.....	333	1
Okolona Station.....	82	.....
Okolona Circuit.....	442	3
Tupelo.....	345	3
Richmond.....	552	7
Saltillo.....	388	5
Pontotoc.....	230	2
Fulton.....	398	5
	4467	34

## Iuka District.

Iuka Station.....	97	2
Iuka Circuit.....	311	3
Corinth Station.....	166	2
Corinth Circuit.....	354	4
Burnsville.....	267	3
Kossuth.....	925	7
Ripley.....	690	10
Jonesboro.....	400	.....
Booneville and Rienzi.....	204	2
Baldwyn.....	360	5
New Albany.....	275	3
Marietta.....	400	4
Bay Springs.....	208	3
	4657	48

## Recapitulation.

Holly Springs District.....	2772	14
Hernando ".....	2566	15
Grenada ".....	4738	38
Greenville ".....	682	4
Winona ".....	4000	27
Columbus ".....	3440	25
Aberdeen ".....	4467	34
Iuka ".....	4657	48
Total this year.....	27,322	205
Total last year.....	27,576	223
Decrease.....	254	18

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 637.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,231.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 224.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,954.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 8,427.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$3,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$2,155.25. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$2,037.37; Domestic Missions, \$1,174. Total, \$3,211.37.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Macon, Miss.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## HOLLY SPRINGS DISTRICT.

*J. D. Cameron, P. E.\**

Holly Springs Station, J. W. Lowrance.

Holly Springs Circuit, J. E. Douglass, Carl M. Von Buren.

Early Grove, Eugene Johnson; J. K. Morris, Sup.

Byhalia, J. L. Futrell; P. J. Eckles, Sup.

Marshall, Thomas Cameron.

New Salem, J. E. Eggleston.

Emory, J. W. Luter.

Ashland, James A. Bowen.

Snow Creek, John H. Mitchell.

Hickory Flat, H. C. Morehead.

Pleasant Grove, to be supplied.

## SARDIS DISTRICT.

*Amos Kendall, P. E.*

Sardis and Davis Chapel, W. T. J. Sullivan.

Como and Fredonia, J. R. Roberson.

Senatobia and Lovetown, J. W. Knott.

Hernando and Coldwater, S. C. Stone.

Hernando Circuit, C. N. Terry.

Pleasant Hill, to be supplied (by R. M. Gwyn).

Cockrum, R. M. Davis.

Chulahoma, S. A. Ellis.

Mt. Vernon, W. J. O'Bryant.

Senatobia Circuit, M. M. Dunn.

Longtown, B. B. Brown.

## GRENADA DISTRICT.

*J. H. Brooks, P. E.*

Grenada Station, Thomas W. Dye.

Grenada Circuit, J. W. Gooch.

Coffeeville, J. P. Dancer.

Water Valley: Wood Street, J. M. Boon.

Wesley Chapel, B. F. Phillips.

Springdale Mission, to be supplied (by J. E. Hudgins).

Oxford Station, W. B. Murrah.

Oxford Circuit, J. J. Brooks; A. A. Houston, Sup.

Eureka, G. W. Boyls.

Batesville, John Ritchey; J. W. Bates, Sup.

Charleston, Edward A. Tabor.

Tallahatchie, Humphrey Williamson.

Benela, T. J. Lowrey.

Pittsboro, Henry E. Smith.

Banner, R. A. Ellis.

Castvrell, D. C. Foust; W. Irby, Sup.  
University of Mississippi, J. J. Wheat, Professor.  
Grenada Female College, D. D. Moore, President.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

*W. P. Barton, P. E.*

Greenville Station, Tilman Page.  
Lake Lee and Leota, J. F. Truslow.  
Deer Creek, James Porter.  
Faisonina and Indian Bayou, J. D. Murff.  
Jones Bayou, A. W. Gibson.  
Concordia and Australia, David Plews.  
Rosedale, R. F. Waters.  
Bolivar, Peter Fleming.  
Friar's Point, De Witt C. Brown.  
Austin and Trotter's Landing, Jesse T. Moody.  
Jonestown, William A. Dollar.  
Cherry Hill, Quincy A. Oats.  
Clarksdale, Noel R. Hamer.

WINONA DISTRICT.

*K. A. Jones, P. E.*

Winona and Carrollton, A. P. Sage.  
Winona Circuit, A. W. Langley.  
Black Hawk, J. S. Oakley.  
Vaiden, Thomas J. Newell.  
West Station Circuit, G. W. Brown.  
Richland, G. W. Bachman.  
Durant and Lexington, J. Sidney Carlton.  
Ebenezer, W. W. Williams.  
Attala, to be supplied; J. P. Commander, Sup.  
Kosciusko and Bethel, Robert P. Mitchell; A. R. Hines, Sup.  
Liberty, W. S. Lagrone.  
Zilpha, Daniel N. Foose.  
Bellefontaine, John M. Dunn.  
Greenwood, T. C. Parrish, one to be supplied.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

*R. G. Porter, P. E.*

Columbus Station, T. A. S. Adams.  
Columbus Circuit, John E. Thomas.  
Macon Station, W. S. Harrison.  
Sparta, S. W. Miller.  
Starkville Station, E. H. Moon.  
Webster Mission, to be supplied; W. R. Rainey, Sup.  
Crawfordville, S. M. Thames.

West Point and Tibbee, W. Murrah.  
Brooksville, J. F. Evans.  
Shuqulak, W. M. Adams.  
Louisville, J. D. Newsom.  
Plattsburg, R. A. Burroughs.  
Chester, B. F. Morris.

ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

*T. Y. Ramsey, P. E.*

Aberdeen Station, John H. Scruggs.  
Verona Station, Thomas C. Wier.  
Athens, L. D. Worsham.  
Vinton, T. Y. Ramsey, jr.; J. T. Cunningham, Sup.  
Houston, J. W. Poston, W. F. Rozell.  
Siloam, James M. Hampton.  
Okolona and Tupelo, J. B. Stone.  
Egypt, Henry C. Parrott.  
Shannon, W. D. Matthews.  
Richmond, William C. Lester.  
Saltillo, Elias G. Kilgore.  
Pontotoc, Thomas J. Harris.  
Fulton, G. W. Gordon.

IUKA DISTRICT.

*Joseph Johnson, P. E.*

Iuka Station, John F. Markham.  
Iuka Circuit, R. A. Neblett.  
Jacinto Mission, to be supplied.  
Corinth Station, J. W. Honnoll; J. C. Lowe, Sup.  
Corinth Circuit, David M. Cogdell.  
Burnsville, to be supplied.  
Kossuth, J. W. Perry.  
Blackland, D. W. Babb.  
Jonesboro, S. B. Carson.  
Ripley and Faulkner, E. B. Ramsey.  
Ripley Circuit, T. J. Taylor.  
Hatchie Mission, to be supplied.  
Booneville and Rienzi, John Barcroft; W. E. Ellis, Sup.  
Bay Springs, John B. Adair.  
Marietta, to be supplied.

H. R. Caldwell transferred to the Mississippi Conference.

W. W. Wadsworth transferred to the North Georgia Conference.

T. S. Campbell transferred to the North Carolina Conference.

## NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BONHAM, TEXAS, November 7-13, 1877

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; W. A. SHOOK, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. Isaac N. Crutchfield, Seth B. Bush, Newton A. Keen, Benjamin T. Hays, Emmitt B. Thompson, A. C. Moore, Sebron Crutchfield. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? F. A. Rosser, Samuel W. Jones, S. H. Renfro, George W. Eller. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? C. F. Ulmer, H. R. Hughes, E. P. Chisholm. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Reuben G. Sewell, William R. Manning, Isaac S. Ashburn, James E. Walker. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? J. G. Worley. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? John Sherrill and W. H. Hughes, from the Tennessee Conference; H. A. Bourland, from the South-west Missouri Conference; W. F. Clark, from the Little Rock Conference; J. D. Whitehead, from the North-west Texas Conference; H. M. Booth, from the East Texas Conference; T. R. Pierce, from the North Georgia Conference. 7.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. W. Hill, J. R. Crowder, H. W. Hawkins. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Reuben G. Sewell, W. R. Manning, Isaac S. Ashburn, J. E. Walker. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? R. G. Sewell, Isaac S. Ashburn, J. E. Walker. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Newton A. Keen, Peter Day, James W. Allbritten, A. N. Keen, E. W. Alderson, R. M. Hancock. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? A. N. Keen, N. A. Keen, Peter Day, J. W. Allbritten, R. M. Hancock, E. C. Garrett. 6.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? W. W. Horner, Marcellus W. Shearer, L. P. Smith, J. M. Langston, J. B. Smith, W. C. Blair, J. R. Allen. 7.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? W. W. Horner, M. W. Shearer, L. P. Smith, J. M. Langston, J. B. Smith, W. C. Blair, J. R. Allen. 7.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Andrew B. Kendall, Amos Emmerston, James G. Anglen. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? J. G. Anglen. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? B. H. Bounds, J. R. Allen, J. J. Davis, R. P. Thompson. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Samuel Armstrong, J. C. Randall, W. A. Shook, M. C. Simpson, W. K. Duff, A. C. Allen, W. E. Bates. 7.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. W. P. McKenzie, J. W. Fields, A. R. Dickson, E. Couch, J. B. Rabb, Job M. Baker, A. Cumming, W. P. Reed, I. N. Craven, J. M. Stevenson. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Rice R. Harris. 1. (No memoir).

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

*Jefferson District.*

	Members.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jefferson Station.....	190	4
Soda Lake Circuit.....	170	2
Atlanta Circuit.....	312	2
Linden Circuit.....	340	2
Kellyville Circuit.....	324	.....
Dangerfield Circuit.....	368	2
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	368	.....
Gilmer Circuit.....	186	1
Longview Circuit.....	340	4
Coffeeville Circuit.....	367	5
	2959	22

*Sulphur Springs District.*

Sulphur Springs Station.....	230	5
Sulphur Springs Circuit.....	663	2
Sulphur Bluff Circuit.....	281	4
Greenville Circuit.....	209	1
White Rock Circuit.....	260	6
Lone Oak Circuit.....	311	4
Oakland Circuit.....	150	5
Winnaboro Circuit.....	270	.....
Pittsburg Circuit.....	391	3
Mineola Circuit.....	184	4
Sulphur Mission.....	85	.....
	3034	34

*Terrell District.*

Terrell and Wills Point Station.....	177	3
Rockwall Circuit.....	294	3
Farmersville Circuit.....	420	3
Kaufman Circuit.....	345	3
Elmo Circuit.....	311	3
Pleasant Grove Circuit.....	222	3
Forney Mission.....	137	.....
Prairieville Circuit.....	418	2
Garden Valley Circuit.....	460	5
Silver Lake Circuit.....	60	1
	2844	26

*Paris District.*

Paris Station.....	201	1
Roxton Circuit.....	370	4
Honey Grove Circuit.....	323	5
Dodd City Circuit.....	238	1

Paris District (continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Ladonia Circuit.....	357	4
Cooper Circuit.....	434	6
Sylvan Circuit.....	449	4
Robinsville Circuit.....	277	2
Clarksville and McKenzie Circuit.....	391	4
Walker Station Circuit.....	248	4
Boston Circuit.....	253	4
Texarkana Mission.....	163	.....
	3704	39

Dallas District.

Dallas Station.....	302	4
Floyd Street Station.....	111	3
Dallas Circuit.....	326	4
Plano and Caruth Station.....	196	.....
Montagne and McKinney Circuit.....	228	2
Seyene Circuit.....	253	4
Honey Creek Circuit.....	330	3
Trinity Circuit.....	200	1
Bethel Circuit.....	343	6
Grapevine Circuit.....	550	6
Grapevine Mission.....	80	1
	2919	34

Sherman District.

Sherman Station.....	275	2
Bonham and Denison Station.....	106	.....
Savoy Circuit.....	357	2
Pilot Grove Circuit.....	290	5
Bonham Circuit.....	297	3
Whitesboro Circuit.....	450	4
Dexter Circuit.....	450	8
Pilot Point Station.....	263	2
Pilot Point Mission.....	243	3
Sherman Circuit.....	268	3
	2999	32

Gainesville District.

Gainesville Station.....	162	5
Gainesville Circuit.....	278	.....
Denton Circuit.....	438	9
Montague Circuit.....	462	7
Elizabethtown Circuit.....	107	.....
Decatur Circuit.....	426	8
Marysville Circuit.....	400	4
Cambridge Mission.....	104	2
Henrietta Mission.....	40	2
	2477	457

Recapitulation.

Jefferson District.....	2959	22
Sulphur Springs ".....	3034	34
Terrell ".....	2844	26
Paris ".....	3704	39
Dallas ".....	2919	34
Sherman ".....	2999	32
Gainesville ".....	2477	37
Total this year.....	19,936	224
Total last year.....	19,651	212
Increase.....	285	12

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,544.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 922.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 148.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 970.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 8,063.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$2,100.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the

foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,167.10. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? \$1,200.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Terrell, Kaufman county, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

JEFFERSON DISTRICT.

L. B. Ellis, P. E.

Jefferson Station, M. H. Neely.  
Soda Lake Circuit, B. T. Hays.  
Atlanta Circuit, R. G. Sewell.  
Queen City, R. Lane.  
Kellyville Circuit, T. J. Milam.  
Daingerfield Circuit, D. F. Fuller.  
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, James Graham.  
Coffeeville Circuit, W. W. Horner.  
Gilmer Circuit, I. N. Crutchfield.  
Longview Circuit, A. C. McDougal.  
Bible Agent, H. M. Booth.

PARIS DISTRICT.

John R. McLean, P. E.

Paris Station, W. F. Easterling.  
Roxton Circuit, R. G. Rainey.  
Honey Grove Circuit, T. E. Sherwood.  
Dodd City Circuit, N. A. Keen.  
Ladonia Circuit, J. W. Piner.  
Cooper Circuit, L. F. Palmer.  
Blossom Prairie Circuit, C. E. Lamb.  
Robinsville Circuit, J. E. Walker.  
Wayland Circuit, S. B. Bush.  
Clarksville Circuit, D. J. Martin.  
Boston Circuit, R. N. Brown.  
Texarkana Mission, J. R. Crowder.  
Bible Agent, W. C. Blair.

SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT.

T. M. Smith, P. E.

Sulphur Springs Station, J. Clark Smith; W. A. Shook, Sup.  
Sulphur Springs Circuit, T. E. Sherwood, J. H. White.  
Sulphur Bluff Circuit, W. M. Thompson; J. C. Randall, Sup.  
Pittsburg Circuit, J. Sherrill.  
Winnsboro Circuit, Samuel W. Jones.  
Mineola, S. N. Renfro.  
Lone Oak, S. J. Hawkins.  
Greenville Station, D. M. Proctor.  
Oakland Circuit, C. J. Cock.  
Sulphur Mission, A. C. Moyer.  
White Rock Circuit, E. S. Boyd; W. K. Duff, Sup.

TERRELL DISTRICT.

L. P. Lively, P. E.

Terrell and Wills Point Station, R. M. Powers.  
Kaufman Circuit, O. P. Thomas; M. C. Simpson, Sup.  
Elmo Circuit, H. W. Hawkins.  
Prairieville Circuit, J. B. Harris.  
Garden Valley Circuit, I. S. Ashburn.  
Farmersville Circuit, A. H. Brewer.

Pleasant Grove Circuit, A. C. Moore.  
 Rockwall Circuit, J. L. Angell.  
 Forney Mission, E. B. Thompson.  
 Grand Saline, G. W. Eller.  
 Bible Agent, Z. Parker.

## DALLAS DISTRICT.

*W. H. Hughes, P. E.*

Dallas Station, H. A. Bourland; Sam Armstrong, Sup.  
 Floyd Street Station, T. R. Pierce; A. C. Allen, Sup.  
 Dallas Circuit, L. M. White.  
 Bethel Circuit, J. W. Chalk.  
 Grapevine Circuit, W. S. May.  
 Plano and Caruth Circuit, John Beverly.  
 Van Alstyne and McKinney Circuit, M. H. Cullum.  
 Honey Creek Circuit, D. P. Haggard.  
 Scyene Circuit, W. R. Manning.  
 Trinity Circuit, J. M. Langston.  
 Grapevine Springs Mission, to be supplied (by E. B. Fledger).  
 Lebanon Circuit, G. S. Gatewood.

## SHERMAN DISTRICT.

*J. M. Binkley, P. E.*

Sherman Station, R. H. Read.  
 Sherman Circuit, F. M. Rosser.

Denison Mission, to be supplied (by G. W. Cottingham).  
 Whitesboro Circuit, J. W. Hill.  
 Dexter, J. C. Weaver.  
 Pilot Point Station, M. C. Blackburn.  
 Pilot Point Circuit, to be supplied (by J. H. Hayes).  
 Bonham Station, W. D. Shea.  
 Bonham Circuit, J. D. Whitehead.  
 Savoy, W. F. Clark.  
 Pilot Grove, M. W. Shearer.  
 Bible Agent, W. C. Haislip.

## GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.

*W. H. Moss, P. E.*

Gainesville Station, L. P. Smith.  
 Gainesville Circuit, W. M. Robbins.  
 Maryville Circuit, J. B. Smith.  
 Denton Circuit, T. B. Norwood.  
 Elizabethtown Circuit, J. G. Worley.  
 Decatur Circuit, J. McDugald.  
 Montague Circuit, S. Crutchfield.  
 Henrietta and Cambridge Mission, to be supplied (by W. M. Bridwell).  
 Victoria Peak Mission, to be supplied.  
 West Fork Mission, J. A. Clark.

W. P. Wilson transferred to the North-west Texas Conference.

## NORTH-WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WACO, TEXAS, *December 5-11, 1877.*

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; F. P. RAY, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James H. Collard, Josiah G. Putman, J. T. L. Annis, Frank C. Stephenson, William L. Nelms, Stephen A. D. Strickland, Richard W. Wellborne, Oscar Hightower, William C. Brodie. 9.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? John C. S. Baird, Alexander B. Blue, Benjamin F. Gassaway, James W. Kizziar, C. S. McCarver, Wilds L. Andrews, R. Galloway, William W. Henderson. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Daniel C. Kelly. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Louis S. Chamberlin, Gaston W. Swofford, Josephus J. Canafax, H. Bascom Henry, William R. Robinson, William L. Harris, Marion Mills, Joseph B. Womack, James K. Lane, John G. Warren, Samuel C. Vaughn, Levi S. Collins, Benjamin H. Johnson. 13.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? George F. Fair. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? William W. Henderson, from the Little Rock Conference; William C. Brodie, from the Arkansas Conference; R. C. Armstrong, from the East Texas Conference; W. P. Wilson, from the North Texas Conference. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Melville B. Johnson. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Louis S. Chamberlin, J. J. Canafax, Levi F. Collins, W. L. Harris, H. B. Henry, B. H. Johnson, Marion Mills, James K. Lane, Gaston W. Swofford, S. C. Vaughn, W. R. Robinson. 11.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Louis S. Chamberlin, J. J. Canafax, Marion Mills, W. L. Harris, H. B. Henry, B. H. Johnson, Levi F. Collins, James K. Lane, Gaston W. Swofford, S. C. Vaughn, W. R. Robinson. 11.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected

deacons? William H. Edwards, Isaac P. Lowery, William L. Shook, Alanthus M. Lawrence, John A. Laferty, J. W. Kelly, G. T. A. Smith, H. C. Trammell, William M. Taylor, W. H. Lightfoot, A. B. Blue. 11.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? William H. Edwards, Isaac P. Lowery, A. M. Lawrence, J. W. Kelly, H. C. Trammell, William M. Taylor, G. T. A. Smith, W. H. Lightfoot, A. B. Blue. 9.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? H. S. P. Ashby, James Campbell, Samnel J. Franks, Wylie V. Jones, J. J. Shirley, N. F. Law, W. D. Robinson, James M. Truitt, John T. Graham, Hugh Griffin. 10.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? H. S. P. Ashby, James Campbell, Samuel J. Franks, Wylie V. Jones, J. J. Shirley, N. F. Law, W. D. Robinson, James M. Truitt, John T. Graham, Hugh Griffin. 10.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? J. W. Hunton, R. O. Brazelton, J. C. Womack, George F. Fair. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? J. W. Hunton, R. O. Brazelton, J. C. Womack, Elisha D. L. Tines. 4.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? W. F. Graves, W. P. Wilson, John R. Barden, John R. Randal. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? John Carpenter, F. P. Ray, J. W. Walkup, G. W. Davenport, T. G. A. Tharp, W. L. Keistler, H. C. McQuown, John Powell, James Hiner, M. L. Martin, O. A. Shook, John R. White, W. E. Weaver. 13.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? James Peeler, Joseph P. Sneed, R. Crawford, C. N. McGuire, James M. Johnson, M. Yell, Drury Womack, J. P. Stanfield, Samuel D. Aikin. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? R. W. Flournoy, John E. Aikin. 2.

R. W. FLOURNOY was born in Louisville, Ga., in 1828; and died at the residence of his brother, Col. W. M. Flournoy, in Waco, Texas, April 9, 1877, of bronchitis, in the forty-ninth year of his age. He professed religion and joined the Church in his eighteenth year. He was twice married—first, in his nineteenth year, to Mrs. Sykes, of Albany, Ga.; second, October 18, 1860, to Miss Sarah Campbell, who, with one daughter by his first wife, survives him, to mourn his loss. He was licensed to preach when twenty-four years old, and admitted on trial into the Florida Conference in 1859, and was appointed to the Quitman Circuit, which he traveled two years. In 1861 he was sent to Camniler; in 1862-3, to Oak Mulgay; in 1864, to Madison; in 1865, to Valdosta; in 1866, to Springfield Circuit. At the division of the Conference he fell to the South Georgia Conference. In 1867 he was returned to the Springfield Circuit. In 1868 he was sent to Morgan Circuit; in 1869-70, to Jeffersonville; in 1871, to Louisville; in 1872, to Bethel. In 1873 he was transferred to the Louisiana Conference, and was appointed to the Haynesville Circuit, which he

traveled two years. In 1875 he was transferred to the North-west Texas Conference, and was appointed to the Gatesville Circuit; in 1876-7, to the Leon Circuit. Here his work was finished, the Master bid him put up his sword and lay his armor by, and enter upon that life "where the wicked cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest." Brother Flournoy was a good preacher, a zealous Christian, a faithful pastor, and a true friend. His fidelity to his friends and the Church was a peculiar characteristic in his history. He suffered much and long, but he endured like a veteran soldier. No murmurs were heard; and when the final moment came, although sudden and somewhat unexpected by his friends, he calmly and joyfully met it, for the last words from his lips were, "Blessed Jesus!" This last sentiment is just in harmony with that verse from Mr. Wesley:

I'll speak the honors of thy name  
With my last lab'ring breath;  
Then speechless grasp thee in my arms,  
The antidote of death.

JOHN E. AIKIN was born in Kentucky. The date of his birth we have not been able to ascertain. He died in Fort Worth, in the care of Brother M. D. Fly. He was the son of Brother S. D. Aikin, of this Conference. We have no data as to the time of his conversion or when he joined the Church. He was received on trial in the North-west Texas Conference in 1875, and was sent to the Centerville Circuit, where he did a faithful year's work. He was then appointed to the Springtown Circuit, where he closed his labors. Brother Aikin was a man of strong mind and good culture, and a good preacher of his age. While we mourn the loss of our young brother, taken from us so early and so full of promise, we bow in submission to the will of God, who is too wise to err. We tender our sympathy to the bereaved father and family.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Waco District.

	Members.	Local Pre's.
Waco Station.....	402	5
Waco Circuit.....	300	1
East Waco Circuit.....	215	1
Marlin and Bremond Circuit .....	230	1
Kosse Circuit.....	312	5
Mt. Vernon Circuit.....	330	2
Calvert Station.....	107	1
Wheelock Circuit.....	578	3
Owensville Circuit.....	332	5
Bosqueville Circuit.....	322	5
Reagan Circuit.....	169	2
	3097	31

#### Georgetown District.

Belton Station.....	184	2
Cameron Circuit.....	698	4
Rockdale Circuit.....	428	4
Taylor Circuit.....	77	1

*Georgetown District (continued).*

	Mem- bers.	Locl Pr's.
Salado and Davilla Circuit.....	592	3
Georgetown and Round Rock Circuit.....	197	6
Georgetown Circuit.....	213	2
Liberty Hill Circuit.....	240	4
Sugar-loaf Circuit.....	450	8
Leon Circuit.....	340	4
West Falls Circuit.....	323	3
Blackland Circuit.....	118	2
	3860	43

*Corsicana District.*

Corsicana Station.....	226	1
Dresden Circuit.....	445	4
Birdston Circuit.....	114	1
Mexia Circuit.....	376	2
Fairfield Circuit.....	221	3
Jewett Circuit.....	298	4
Centerville Circuit.....	278	5
Groesbeck Circuit.....	142	3
Mt. Calm.....	300	4
Sunshine Circuit.....	239	2
	2639	29

*Waxahachie District.*

Waxahachie Station.....	170	1
Waxahachie Circuit.....	545	7
Wesley Chapel Station.....	135	1
Lancaster Circuit.....	452	2
Ennis Circuit.....	394	5
Chatfield Circuit.....	375	4
Milford Circuit.....	329	6
Hillsboro Circuit.....	306	4
Peoria Circuit.....	384	5
Chambers Creek Mission.....	117	.....
	3207	35

*Fort Worth District.*

Fort Worth Station.....	194	1
Fort Worth Circuit.....	154	2
Arlington Circuit.....	273	4
Cedar Hill Circuit.....	150	.....
Alvarado Circuit.....	666	10
Caddo Grove Circuit.....	354	2
Cleburne Station.....	135	3
Cleburne Circuit.....	325	4
Acton Circuit.....	220	3
	2471	29

*Weatherford District.*

Weatherford Station.....	153	3
Weatherford Circuit.....	170	4
Springtown Circuit.....	287	5
Cartersville Circuit.....	297	3
El Dorado Mission.....	85	3
Jacksboro Circuit.....	115	.....
Black Springs Mission.....	245	1
Graham Circuit.....	185	4
Fort Griffin Mission.....	187	2
	1724	25

*Granbury District.*

Granbury Circuit.....	265	.....
Palo Pinto Circuit.....	290	4
Stephensville Circuit.....	283	8
Paluxy Circuit.....	473	3
Iredell Circuit.....	419	5
Meridian Circuit.....	130	2
Jonesboro Circuit.....	260	9
Gatesville Circuit.....	440	7
Savannah Mission.....	78	.....
Clifton Mission.....	163	2
	2671	38

*Comanche District.*

Comanche Station.....	67	.....
Comanche Circuit.....	342	5
Hamilton Circuit.....	239	9
Plum Creek Circuit.....	202	1
Lampasas Circuit.....	241	3
Barnet Circuit.....	170	4
Rockvale Circuit.....	148	2
Llano Mission.....	103	1

*Comanche District (continued).*

	Mem- bers.	Locl Pr's.
Fort Mason Mission.....	102	4
San Saba Circuit.....	255	9
Brownwood Circuit.....	198	7
Coleman Mission.....	172	1
	2239	46

*Recapitulation.*

Waco District.....	3097	31
Georgetown ".....	3860	43
Corsicana ".....	2639	29
Waxahachie ".....	3207	35
Fort Worth ".....	2471	29
Weatherford ".....	1724	25
Granbury ".....	2671	38
Comanche ".....	2239	46
Total this year.....	21,908	276
Total last year.....	19,370	265
Increase.....	2,538	11

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,250.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,759.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 131.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 812.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 6,455.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$2,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,229.10. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? \$3,074.42.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Belton, Bell county, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

**WACO DISTRICT.**

*W. G. Connor, P. E.*

Waco Station, M. H. Wells.  
Waco Circuit, W. T. Melugin.  
East Waco Circuit, W. R. D. Stockton.  
Marlin Circuit, Samuel J. Franks.  
Kosse Circuit, T. G. Gilmore.  
Bremond Circuit, S. S. Scott; J. R. White, Sup.  
Mt. Vernon Circuit, B. F. Gassaway.  
Calvert and Hearne Circuit, J. Fred Cox.  
Bosqueville Circuit, E. R. Barcus.  
Wheelock Circuit, W. K. Turner.  
Waco Female College, Sam P. Wright, President.  
Agent American Bible Society, O. M. Addison.

**GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.**

*Thomas Stanford, P. E.*

Georgetown and Round Rock Circuit, George W. Graves.  
Georgetown Circuit, Samuel Morris, L. S. Chamberlin.

Rockdale Circuit, John C. S. Baird.  
Cameron Circuit, H. H. Sullivan.  
Salado and Davilla Circuit, Willis J. King.  
Blackland Circuit, C. S. McCarver.  
West Falls Circuit, Hugh Griffin; J. W. Walkup, Sup.  
Leon Circuit, J. A. Walkup; John Carpenter, Sup.  
Sugar-loaf Circuit, W. W. Henderson.  
Belton Station, H. S. P. Ashby.  
Liberty Hill Circuit, J. K. Lane.

#### CORSICANA DISTRICT.

*John S. McCarver, P. E.*

Corsicana Station, James Mackey.  
Corsicana Circuit, W. C. Brodie.  
Dresden Circuit, C. H. Ellis.  
Mt. Calm Circuit, J. J. Davis.  
Groesbeck Circuit, R. H. H. Burnett.  
Thornton Circuit, Samuel C. Vaughn.  
North Leon Circuit, George W. Barnes, supply.  
Centerville Circuit, Marion Mills.  
Buffalo Circuit, W. F. Compton.  
Fairfield Circuit, Gaston W. Swofford.  
Mexia Circuit, Horace Bishop.

#### WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT.

*W. G. Veal, P. E.*

Waxahachie Station, C. E. Brown.  
Waxahachie Circuit, W. D. Robinson; E. P. Ray, Sup.  
Waxahachie Mission, H. B. Henry.  
Wesley Station, John S. Davis.  
Lancaster and Hutchins Station, James Campbell.  
Lancaster Circuit, James D. Shaw.  
Ennis Circuit, J. M. Truitt; T. G. A. Tharp, Sup.  
Rice and Chatfield Station, Andrew Davis; W. L. Keistler, Sup.  
Milford Circuit, R. C. Armstrong.  
Hillsboro Circuit, R. H. Adair.  
S. S. Yarbrough, Colporteur American Bible Society.  
Marvin College, A. D. Gaskill, Agent.

#### FORT WORTH DISTRICT.

*W. C. Young, P. E.*

Fort Worth Station, M. D. Fly.  
Fort Worth Mission, J. B. Womack.  
Arlington Circuit, J. T. L. Annis.  
Cedar Hill Circuit, Wilds L. Andrews.  
Caddo Grove Circuit, E. A. Bailey.  
Alvarado Circuit, William Price; John Powell, Sup.  
Cleburne Station, I. N. Reeves.  
Covington Circuit, G. R. Bryce.  
Peoria Circuit, to be supplied; H. C. McQuown, Sup.  
Fort Graham Circuit, William Vaughn.

#### WEATHERFORD DISTRICT.

*T. W. Hines, P. E.*

Weatherford Station, H. M. Glass, R. C. Hendrick.  
Weatherford Circuit, S. A. D. Strickland.  
Acton Circuit, Oscar Hightower.  
Springtown Circuit, J. H. Miller, supply; M. L. Martin, Sup.  
Centerville Circuit, J. W. Kizziar.  
El Dorado Mission, James Grant.  
Jacksboro Circuit, W. V. Jones.  
Bethesda Mission, W. L. Nelms.  
Graham Circuit, B. H. Johnson; A. K. Miller, Sup.

#### STEPHENSVILLE DISTRICT.

*John P. Mussett, P. E.*

Stephensville Circuit, W. R. Robinson.  
Granbury Circuit, James Hiner.  
Poluxy Circuit, M. B. Johnson.  
Glen Rose Circuit, A. B. Blue.  
Meridian Circuit, Joe F. Hines.  
Clifton Circuit, W. L. Harris.  
Gatesville Circuit, J. S. Lane.  
Jonesboro Circuit, F. C. Stephenson; O. A. Shook, Sup.  
Sandy Creek Mission, H. C. Trammel, supply.  
Duffau Circuit, J. T. Graham.  
Granbury High School, J. J. Shirley, President.

#### COMANCHE DISTRICT.

*Peter W. Gravis, P. E.*

Comanche Circuit, R. W. Wellborne.  
Hamilton Mission, H. J. McQuary.  
Plum Creek Mission, to be supplied; G. W. Davenport, Sup.  
Lampasas Circuit, J. W. B. Allen.  
Burnet Circuit, R. V. Galloway.  
Rockvale Circuit, J. Parker, A. R. Bennick.  
Llano Mission, to be supplied.  
San Saba Circuit, N. F. Law.  
Mountain Mission, to be supplied.  
Brownwood Circuit, J. P. Hulse.

#### BRECKENRIDGE DISTRICT.

*J. G. Warren, P. E.*

Breckenridge Circuit, J. J. Canafax.  
Fort Griffin Mission, J. M. Jones.  
Clear Fork Mission, to be supplied.  
Belknap Mission, J. G. Putman.  
Palo Pinto Circuit, E. W. Simmons.  
Eastland Circuit, George F. Fair.  
Belle Plain Mission, L. F. Collins.  
Sabana Mission, J. H. Collard.  
Coleman Mission, to be supplied.

J. T. Peery transferred to the South-west Missouri Conference.

J. D. Whitehead transferred to the North Texas Conference.

J. H. Tucker transferred to the West Texas Conference.

Orceneth Fisher transferred to the Texas Conference.

## PACIFIC CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SANTA ROSA, CAL., October 10-15, 1877.

BISHOP MCTYEIRE, *President*; E. K. MILLER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. Alonzo L. Paul. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? T. D. Lewis. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? C. C. Snell. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Perryman F. Page, W. P. Andrews. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? T. H. B. Anderson, J. W. Atkinson. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Rufus F. Allen. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Perryman F. Page, William P. Andrews. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Perryman F. Page, William P. Andrews. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? W. V. Howard, H. M. McKnight. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Timothy S. Paul, Alexander Odom, Robert A. Sawrie. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Timothy S. Paul, Alexander Odom, Robert A. Sawrie, George W. Humphreys (received from the Free Methodist Church). 4.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? M. C. Fields. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? John M. Ward, T. D. Clanton, S. W. Davies. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? James L. Porter, Iry Taylor, James M. Lovell, B. C. Howard. 4.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? W. D. Senter. 1. (No memoir).

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? Members, 4,138; local preachers, 53. (No details).

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 193.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 350.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 76.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 483.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 2,211.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$606.45.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$606.45. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$440; Domestic Missions, \$757.05. Total, \$1,197.05.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? San Francisco, Cal.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.

*S. Brown, P. E.*

San Francisco Station, A. M. Campbell; P.

Tuggle, O. P. Fitzgerald, Sup.

San José, E. K. Miller.

Santa Clara, T. C. Barton.

Sacramento, to be supplied.

Gilroy, T. A. Atkinson.

Hollister, J. W. Atkinson; T. D. Clanton, Sup.

Stockton, to be supplied.

Mountain View, I. L. Hopkins.

Woodbridge, W. M. Winters.

Hicksville, E. H. Robertson.

Salinas, to be supplied.

Tres Pinos, to be supplied.

## SANTA ROSA DISTRICT.

*W. F. Compton, P. E.*

Santa Rosa Station, C. Chamberlain; S. W. Davies, Sup.

Santa Rosa Circuit, J. G. Shelton.

Petaluma, R. F. Allen.

Healdsburg and Cloverdale, T. S. Burnet.

Ukiah, J. C. Hyden.

Little Lake, L. D. Hargis.

Potter Valley and Upper Lake, J. F. Campbell.

Lakeport, J. C. Pendergrast.

Rockville, C. C. Wright.

Vacaville, P. F. Page.

Winters, J. K. P. Price.

Anderson Valley, to be supplied.

Isleton, Joel Hedgpeth.

## COLUSA DISTRICT.

*George Sim, P. E.*

Colusa Station, T. H. B. Anderson.

Knight's Landing, A. Odom; J. M. Ward, Sup.

Wheatland, G. W. Humphreys.  
Yuba City, J. M. Alsanson.  
Chico, L. C. Renfro.  
Chico Circuit, to be supplied (by Walter T. Burke).  
Tehama Circuit, T. A. Miller.  
Princeton, James Kelsay.  
Bear River, to be supplied.  
Biggs Circuit, to be supplied.  
Anderson Circuit, to be supplied (by Henry Naste).  
Willows, M. McWhorter.  
Leesville, J. M. Overton.  
Williams, J. S. Clarke.

VISALIA DISTRICT.

W. J. Mahon, P. E.

Linden, T. S. Paul.  
Modesto, B. H. Russell.  
Oakdale, J. Gruwell.

Sonora, R. A. Sawrie.  
Merced, A. S. Whipple.  
Mariposa, John Wood.  
Los Banos, G. H. Newton.  
Fresno, H. B. Avery.  
Fresno Circuit, F. M. Staton.  
Visalia, B. F. Burris.  
Kingston, T. L. Duke.  
Tule River, A. L. Hunsaker.  
Pleasant Valley, to be supplied (by J. W. Bell).  
Antelope, to be supplied (by S. W. Spears).  
Fresno Flats, A. L. Paul.  
Pacific Methodist College, J. C. Simmons, Agent.

J. O. Branch transferred to the South Georgia Conference.

T. D. Lewis transferred to the Illinois Conference.

W. P. Andrews transferred to the Mississippi Conference.

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT COLUMBIA, S. C., December 12-18, 1877.

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; W. C. POWER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James Simons Meynardie, John William Tarbourx, James S. Porter, John Thomas Page. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? R. Herbert Jones, Erwin G. Price, Allison B. Lee, Thomas E. Gilbert, Armand C. Le Gette, H. Bascom Browne, William P. Meadors. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Joseph F. Mosingo, Le Grand G. Walker. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? D. Zimmerman Dantzler, Arthur C. Walker, Whitefoord S. Martin, Benjamin M. Boozer, James W. Ariail, Thornbury P. Phillips. - 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Hugh W. Whitaker. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? John L. Stokes, Felix Hartin, William W. Williams, Murdoch M. Ferguson, Anderson W. Jackson, James W. Wolling, Edward M. Merritt, Junius J. Neville, William H. Ariail, Jephthah C. Counts, Samuel D. Vaughan. 11.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? D. Zimmerman Dantzler, Arthur C. Walker, Benjamin M. Boozer, James W. Ariail, Thornbury P. Phillips. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? D. Zimmerman Dantzler, Arthur C. Walker, Benjamin M. Boozer, James W. Ariail, Thornbury P. Phillips. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Henry Glencamps, William H. Thacker. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? William H. Thacker, James M. Kirton. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? M. Hutchinson Pooser, G. Watson Whitman, Hilliard F. Chrietzberg, William H. Kirton, Le Roy F. Beaty, John O. Willson, James C. Bissell, John E. Carlisle, James C. Davis. 9.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? M. Hutchinson Pooser, G. Watson Whitman, Hilliard F. Chrietzberg, William H. Kirton, Le Roy F. Beaty, John O. Willson, James C. Davis, John E. Carlisle, James C. Bissell. 9.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? James Floyd, Wright Wilson. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? James Floyd, Wright Wilson. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Edgar L. Archer, Le Roy F. Beaty. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? John

R. Little, John A. Wood, Robert C. Oliver. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? David Derrick, John Watts, Joel W. Townsend, Minton A. Connolly, William C. Patterson, David D. Byars, Edward J. Pennington, John R. Coburn, John Finger. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? T. Sumter Daniel, William H. Fleming, R. Randolph Pegues. 3.

THOMAS SUMTER DANIEL was born in Edgefield county, South Carolina, in the year 1814; and died in Abbeville county, South Carolina, August 27, 1877. He was educated at Cokesbury Conference School, and in February, 1835, entered the traveling connection of the South Carolina Conference, in the twenty-first year of his age. His first appointment was on the Montgomery Circuit, North Carolina, which he traveled in connection with the venerable David Derrick. His ministerial services embraced a period of forty-two years, two of which were spent on stations, twenty-three on circuits, five on missions, ten in the local ranks, one as supernumerary, and one as superannuate. He was a man of sterling character, conspicuous for his stern integrity and his exact promptitude. His mental endowments were above the ordinary, but his extreme reticence prevented him from being brought forward to positions for which he was otherwise well qualified. He was exceptionally familiar with the doctrines of the Methodist Church, and an able expounder of the same. His preaching, always pointed and evangelical, was at times in demonstration of the Spirit and of power. His reading was of a wide range, and perhaps nothing would be risked in the statement that at the time of his death he was one of the best read members of this body. The tenderness of his nature was beautifully exhibited in the unceasing attention with which he ministered to the comfort of an aged mother. It has been said that a Methodist preacher ought always to be ready to preach and to die. It seems that Brother Daniel was ready for either of these. He fell suddenly, but at his post. He was laboring at a protracted meeting in Laurens county. Preached on Sabbath afternoon with unwonted power. Left the church Monday morning cheerful and happy, but had scarcely reached the house when he was smitten with sun-stroke, and in thirty minutes his spirit had departed. No one was present except his old servant, who tells us that he passed away shouting the triumphs of the Lord Jesus Christ. His remains were interred, by request, at Salem Church, Greenwood Circuit, beside the ashes of his sainted mother, who had not long preceded him to the spirit land. A pious man, an affectionate son, a modest, faithful herald of the cross of Christ, has fallen from our ranks. We cannot but mourn our loss, yet our grief is chastened by the remembrance that it is his eternal gain!

His toils are past, his work is done,  
And he is fully blessed;  
He fought the fight, the victory won,  
And entered into rest.

WILLIAM HONOUR FLEMING, D.D., was born January 1, 1821, in the city of Charleston, S. C.; and died April 16, 1877. He was converted to God, and connected himself with the Methodist Church, in early life. In 1841 he was admitted into the South Carolina Conference, and after thirty-six years in the itinerant ministry, while stationed at Bethel, in the city of Charleston, and in the very room where he had been licensed to preach, he contracted the disease which, superadded to an overworked nervous condition, terminated his life. Brother Fleming was practically acquainted with every kind of work that usually devolved upon a Methodist traveling preacher. For six years he served as a missionary to the colored people in the low country of South Carolina; eight years were spent in circuits, seven in stations, and fourteen in districts. Three times he was chosen by his brethren as a delegate to the General Conference, and was a member of the General Mission Board at the time of his death. In all these relations he was acceptable and useful; his experience was large, his judgment clear; his counsel was judicious and safe. In disposition he was kind and benevolent; his genial nature won all hearts, both old and young, while his manly, frank, and honorable conduct secured respect and confidence. His sermons were prepared with care, and if not brilliant, they were evangelical and instructive, and his congregations retired with the conviction that they had been listening to a thoughtful and earnest minister of Jesus Christ. His body lies in Bethel church-yard, beneath a unique and beautiful monument, contributed by his affectionate congregation; while his spirit realizes the sentiment uttered with nearly his last breath: "How nice it will be when we meet up there!"

RUFUS RANDOLPH PEGUES was born in Marlboro, S. C., February 6, 1830. His ancestors were an industrious and thrifty race, who had been identified with that section of the State from its earliest settlement. His own father was, like Cornelius, "a devout man, and one that feared God, with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God always." Our sainted brother was brought up in the midst of the most benign influences of our holy religion, having the good example of his pious parents ever before his eyes. He came into the Church in early life, and was converted under the ministry of Brother D. J. Simmons, of whom he spoke with great gratitude and affection on his dying-bed. He was graduated at Randolph-Macon College, in Virginia, and soon after his return home entered the Methodist ministry in the South Carolina Conference, in 1855. If our dear departed friend had been ambitious of ease, honor, or worldly success, he would have turned his attention elsewhere. Indeed, he had all the elements of success—a solid, practical mind, a good education, a fine person, agreeable manners, and a comfortable fortune; yet when he was satisfied that God had called him to the work

of the holy ministry, he was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but gave himself up to the work with a single purpose to glorify God and save souls. He was connected with this body of ministers for twenty-two years, and took his appointments everywhere in our territory, from the mountains to the sea. No man among us has ever sustained a more unsullied reputation. Such was the purity of his life, and such the unselfish devotion of his time, talents, and property to the great work of human salvation, that he possessed the unbounded confidence and respect of all classes of the people where he labored. In humility, in modesty, in generosity, in benevolence, who of us is like him? The beautiful devotion of our departed brother's life to the cause of God reminds us of the words of the seraphic Thomas Walsh, in the days of Mr. Wesley: "Thou knowest, O Lord, that there never was one of thy servants upon earth whom I do not desire to resemble in doing and suffering thy whole will. I would walk with thee, my God, as Enoch did; I would follow thee into an unknown country, as Abraham did; and I would give up all for thee, as did Moses and Paul." For seventeen years our departed brother answered to the roll-call in this body of ministers; but five years ago, in the midst of laborious evangelistic efforts in the town of Marion, his powerful frame suddenly gave way, and had fastened upon it an incurable disease which baffled and defied all the skill of the healing art. Hitherto our dear friend had found his religion a powerful *stimulus* to action and a beautiful embellishment of life. Now he had to test its power to support him in the midst of affliction, and finally in the agonies of death. He was not disappointed. We found him calm, collected, and peaceful. He commissioned the writer to bear to his brethren the last messages of his undying affection. "When my name is called, tell the brethren I thought of them and prayed for them." On the 17th of October he became worse, and it was evident that the catastrophe had at last come. He was ready, and in the midst of his family and friends fell asleep in Jesus. The beautiful lines of Sir Walter Scott describe the character of this good man:

Far may we search, before we find  
A heart so manly and so kind;  
But not around his honored urn  
Do friends alone and kindred mourn.  
The thousand eyes his care had dried  
Pour at his name a bitter tide;  
And frequent falls the grateful dew  
For benefits the world ne'er knew.  
If mortal charity dare claim  
Th' Almighty's attributed name,  
Then write above his moldering clay,  
"The widow's shield, the orphan's stay."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Charleston District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charleston: Trinity.....	320	1
Bethel.....	368	1
Spring Street.....	258	
Berkley Circuit.....	330	2
Cainhoy Circuit and Mission.....	337	4
Cypress Circuit.....	551	2
Summerville Circuit and Mission.....	142	
St. George's Circuit.....	559	
Bamberg Circuit.....	358	2
Colleton Circuit.....	556	1
Walterboro Circuit.....	680	3
Allendale Circuit.....	297	
Black Swamp Circuit.....	303	
Yemassee Circuit.....	193	1
Hardeeville Circuit and Mission.....	96	
	5348	17

Orangeburg District.

Orangeburg Station.....	170	1
Orangeburg Circuit.....	297	2
Branchville Circuit.....	351	1
Providence Circuit.....	451	1
St. Matthew's Circuit.....	243	
Upper St. Matthew's.....	250	
Edisto Circuit.....	510	2
Edisto Mission.....	11	1
Graham Circuit.....	426	
Williston Circuit.....	237	1
Ellenton Circuit.....	47	
Aiken Mission.....	29	1
Graniteville and Langley.....	214	
Upper Orange Circuit.....	508	3
	3744	13.

Columbia District.

Columbia: Washington Street.....	295	1
Marion Street.....	294	1
Winnshoro Station.....	53	1
Fairfield Circuit.....	548	3
Chester Station.....	106	
West Chester Circuit.....	497	1
East Chester Circuit.....	431	1
Rock Hill Circuit.....	392	2
Yorkville Station.....	177	
York Circuit.....	153	
Lexington Circuit.....	277	1
Lexington Fork.....	281	1
Leesville Circuit.....	653	1
Edgefield Circuit.....	394	1
Columbia Circuit.....	466	
	4997	14.

Sumter District.

Sumter Station.....	210	
Sumter Circuit.....	657	2
Bishopville Circuit.....	352	
Manning Circuit.....	505	1
Santee Circuit.....	432	4
Richland Fork Circuit and Mission.....	361	
Camden Station.....	126	
Hanging Rock Circuit.....	383	
Fort Mills Circuit.....	252	1
Chesterfield Circuit.....	645	3
Lancaster Station.....	92	
Zoar Circuit and Mission.....	400	1
South Chesterfield Circuit.....	449	1
	4864	13

Florence District.

Florence Station.....	102	1
Darlington Station.....	96	
Society Hill Mission.....	55	
Cheraw Station.....	115	
Lower Darlington Circuit.....	390	3
Darlington.....	448	2
Tinmonsville Circuit.....	440	1
Lynchburg Circuit.....	601	4
North Williamsburg.....	316	1
Kingstree Station.....	72	
Gourdin Circuit and Mission.....	254	2

## Florence District (continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Georgetown Station.....	196	1
Sampit Circuit and Mission.....	280	1
Black River Circuit and Mission.....	168	.....
Johnsonville Circuit.....	476	5
Liberty Chapel.....	151	1
	4160	22

## Marion District.

Marion Station.....	235	2
Buck Swamp Circuit.....	892	3
Little Rock Circuit.....	407	2
South Marlboro Circuit.....	607	2
Bennettsville Circuit.....	955	3
North Marlboro Circuit.....	403	2
Waccamaw Circuit and Mission.....	199	3
Little River Circuit and Mission.....	139	.....
Bucksville Station.....	112	.....
Conwayboro Station.....	166	.....
Conwayboro Circuit.....	198	.....
Pedee Circuit.....	781	3
Marion Circuit.....	656	5
	5750	25

## Spartanburg District.

Spartanburg Station.....	445	4
Union Station.....	98	.....
Cherokee Circuit.....	517	.....
Cane Creek Circuit.....	210	.....
Jonesville Circuit.....	544	.....
Goshen Hill Circuit.....	190	1
Laurens Circuit.....	725	2
Limestone Springs.....	358	1
Black's Station.....	125	.....
Clinton Circuit.....	281	.....
Belmont Circuit.....	419	.....
Gowansville Circuit.....	218	.....
Rich Hill Circuit.....	508	1
	4638	9

## Cokesbury District.

Cokesbury Station.....	177	1
Cokesbury Circuit.....	523	1
Abbeville Station.....	98	.....
Abbeville Circuit.....	397	.....
South Abbeville Circuit.....	399	1
Lowndesville Station.....	260	.....
Tumbling Shoals.....	355	.....
Greenwood Circuit.....	499	1
Newberry Station.....	172	1
Newberry Circuit.....	665	2
North Newberry Circuit.....	162	.....
Saluda Circuit.....	518	2
	4225	9

## Greenville District.

Greenville Station.....	270	.....
Greenville Circuit.....	590	6
Reidville Circuit.....	808	1
Fork Shoals Circuit.....	315	.....
Williamston Station.....	89	1
Brushy Creek Circuit.....	225	5
Anderson Station.....	137	.....
Anderson Circuit and Mission.....	181	2
Shallow Ford Circuit.....	316	1
Pendleton Circuit.....	442	1
Sandy Springs.....	430	.....
Pickens Circuit.....	463	2
Pickens Mission.....	231	2
Walhalla and Seneca City.....	485	2
Oconee Mission.....	188	.....
Westminster Circuit and Mission.....	300	.....
	5470	23

## Recapitulation.

Charleston District.....	5348	17
Orangeburg ".....	3744	13
Columbia ".....	4997	14
Sumter ".....	4864	13

## Recapitulation (continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence District.....	4160	22
Marion ".....	5750	25
Spartanburg ".....	4638	9
Cokesbury ".....	4225	9
Greenville ".....	5470	23
Total this year.....	43,196	145
Total last year.....	41,742	144
Increase.....	1,454	1

Colored members: Charleston District, 301; Orangeburg District, 12; Columbia District, 20; Sumter District, 4; Florence District, 7; Marion District, 3; Spartanburg District, 5; Greenville District, 5. Total, 357. Colored preachers, 3.

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,994.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,387.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 481.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,788.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 19,561.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$5,655.25.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$4,190.15. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$2,321.80; Domestic Missions, \$4,519.45. Total, \$6,841.25.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Newberry, S. C.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

T. E. Wannamaker, P. E.

Charleston: Trinity, R. N. Wells.

Bethel, W. C. Power.

Spring Street, G. W. Whitman.

Berkley Circuit, S. D. Vaughn.

Cainhoy Circuit, A. G. Gantt.

Cypress Circuit, G. H. Pooser.

St. Paul's Mission, to be supplied.

St. George's Circuit, P. F. Kistler.

Bamberg Circuit, W. P. Mouzon.

Colleton Circuit, C. C. Fishburn.

Walterboro Circuit, J. L. Sifley.

Allendale Circuit, W. H. Lawton.

Black Swamp Circuit, L. C. Loyal.

Yemassee Circuit, A. R. Danner.

Hardeeville Circuit, B. G. Jones.

Summerville, S. H. Browne.

## ORANGEBURG DISTRICT.

William Martin, P. E.

Orangeburg, S. A. Weber.

Orangeburg Circuit, R. W. Barber.

Branchville Circuit, Thomas Rayson.

Providence Circuit, J. B. Platt.

St. Matthew's Circuit, J. H. Zimmerman.

Upper St. Matthew's Circuit, M. L. Banks.

Orange Circuit, D. Z. Dantzler.  
Edisto Circuit, N. K. Melton.  
Edisto Mission, M. M. Ferguson.  
Graham Circuit, A. J. Cauthen.  
Williston Circuit, M. A. McKibben.  
Ellenton Circuit, D. Tiller.  
Aiken Mission, R. Herbert Jones.  
Graniteville and Langley Station, John A. Mood.

#### COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

*E. J. Meynardie, P. E.*

Columbia: Washington Street, J. T. Wightman.

Marion Street, W. S. Wightman.  
Columbia Circuit, L. M. Little.  
Ridgeway Circuit, J. E. Watson.  
Winnsboro Station, W. A. Rogers.  
Fairfield Circuit, J. A. Porter.  
Chester Station, J. E. Carlisle.  
Chester Circuit, M. H. Pooser.  
East Chester, T. J. Clyde.  
Rock Hill Circuit, J. M. Boyd.  
Fort Mills Circuit, J. Lemacks Stokes.  
Yorkville Station, T. E. Gilbert.  
York Circuit, L. A. Johnson.  
Black Station Circuit, B. M. Booser.  
Lexington Circuit, C. D. Rowell.  
Edgefield Circuit, Samuel Leard.  
Batesburg Circuit, J. W. Kelly.  
Columbia Female College, J. Walter Dickson, Professor.

#### SUMTER DISTRICT.

*C. H. Pritchard, P. E.*

Sumter Station, A. J. Stokes.  
Sumter Circuit, J. S. Beasley.  
Spring Hill Circuit, D. D. Dantzler.  
Bishopville Station, A. J. Stafford.  
Manning Circuit, D. J. McMillan.  
Santee Circuit, J. L. Shuford, J. W. Ariail.  
Richland Forks Circuit, W. H. Ariail.  
Camden Station, J. O. Willson,  
Kershaw Circuit, A. C. Le Gette.  
Hanging Rock Circuit, W. H. Kirton.  
Lancaster Station, W. W. Williams.  
Lancaster Circuit, R. L. Duffie.  
Chesterfield Circuit, J. W. Murray.  
Zoar Circuit, to be supplied (by C. A. Plyler).

#### FLORENCE DISTRICT.

*James C. Stoll, P. E.*

Florence Station, A. H. Lester.  
Darlington Station, G. W. Walker.  
Society Hill Circuit, W. L. Pegues.  
Cheraw Station, William Thomas.  
Darlington Circuit, T. W. Munnerlyn.  
Lower Darlington Circuit, J. B. Massebeau.  
Timmons ville Circuit, G. H. Wells.  
Lynchburg and St. Luke's, J. W. Wolling.  
Lynchburg Circuit, W. S. Martin.  
North Williamsburg Circuit, J. W. McRoy.  
Kingstree Station, Felix Hartin.  
Gourdin and Sampit Circuit, J. C. Russell, A. B. Lee.  
Georgetown, W. T. Capers.

Black River Circuit, H. J. Morgan.  
Johnsonville Circuit, G. W. Gatlin.  
West Marion Circuit, J. C. Counts.  
Mars Bluff Station, W. D. Kirkland.

#### MARION DISTRICT.

*H. A. C. Walker, P. E.*

Marion Station, R. L. Harper.  
Marion Circuit, J. T. Kilgo.  
Mullins Circuit, S. J. Hill, J. T. Pate.  
Little Rock Circuit, F. Auld; J. R. Little, Sup.  
Bennettsville Circuit, T. Mitchell, J. W. Tarbourx.  
South Marlboro Circuit, G. T. Harmon.  
North Marlboro Circuit, J. C. Davis.  
Waccamaw Circuit and Mission, William Carson.  
Little River Circuit, D. W. Seal.  
Bucks ville Station, A. C. Walker.  
Conwayboro Station, L. Wood.  
Conwayboro Circuit, W. W. Jones.  
Hebron Circuit, L. Scarboro.

#### SPARTANBURG DISTRICT.

*H. M. Mood, P. E.*

Spartanburg Station, J. M. Carlisle.  
Providence Mission, to be supplied.  
Union Station, J. B. Campbell.  
Cherokee Circuit, J. J. Newberry.  
Cane Creek Circuit, A. P. Avant.  
Jonesville Circuit, G. M. Boyd.  
Goshen Hill Circuit, R. R. Dagnall.  
Laurens Circuit, J. K. McCain.  
North Laurens Circuit, J. W. Humbert.  
Limestone Springs Circuit, J. B. Wilson.  
Limestone Springs Mission, E. G. Price.  
Clinton Circuit, J. F. England.  
Belmont Circuit, W. W. Mood.  
Gowansville Circuit, J. F. Smith.  
Rich Hill Circuit, William Hutto.  
A. M. Shipp, Professor in Vanderbilt University.  
Wofford College, W. Smith, W. W. Duncan, Professors.  
F. M. Kennedy, Editor *Southern Christian Advocate*.  
Sunday-school Agent, R. C. Oliver, Sup.

#### COKE SBURY DISTRICT.

*Manning Brown, P. E.*

Cokesbury Station, E. T. Hodges.  
Cokesbury Circuit, W. A. Clarke, J. S. Porter.  
Abbeville Station, D. J. Simmons.  
Abbeville Circuit, J. C. Bissell.  
South Abbeville Circuit, S. P. H. Elwell; O. N. Rountree, Sup.  
Lowndesville Station, R. P. Franks.  
Tumbling Shoals Circuit, J. B. Traywick.  
Greenwood Circuit, R. D. Smart, J. Simmons Meynardie.  
Newberry Station, A. M. Chrietzberg.  
Newberry Circuit, T. G. Herbert, W. P. Meadors.  
North Newberry Circuit, H. W. Whitaker.

Lexington Fork Circuit, L. M. Hamer.  
Saluda Circuit, J. A. Clifton.

### GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

*O. A. Darby, P. E.*

Greenville Station, A. Coke Smith.  
Greenville Circuit, A. W. Jackson.  
Reidville Circuit, C. D. Mann; J. A. Wood,  
Sup.  
Fork Shoals Circuit, H. B. Browne.  
Williamston Station, S. Lander.

Belton Mission, to be supplied.  
Brushy Creek Circuit, J. J. Workman.  
Anderson Station, H. F. Chrietzberg.  
Anderson Circuit, Abner Ervin.  
Shallow Ford Circuit, T. P. Phillips.  
Pendleton Circuit, S. B. Jones.  
Sandy Springs Circuit, J. Attaway.  
Pickens Circuit, A. W. Walker.  
Pickens Mission, to be supplied.  
Walhalla and Seneca City Circuit, J. J. Neville.  
Oconee Mission, to be supplied (by F. Smith).  
Westminster Circuit, E. M. Merritt.

## SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TALBOTTON, GA., *December 12-17, 1877.*

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; STEPHEN D. CLEMENTS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. William H. Tigner, James R. McClesky, Patterson B. Sims, Albert A. Ellenwood, Jeremiah W. Folsom, Edwin H. Harman, Paul F. Connally. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? William J. Stallings, Charles T. Bickley, Elbert M. Whiting, Burrell S. Key. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? W. F. Lloyd, Don Q. Abbott, Hamlin R. Felder, Littleton A. Snow, Samuel W. Stubbs, Robert M. Booth, Thaddeus I. Nease, Robert J. Walker. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? James O. Branch, from the Pacific Conference; W. T. McMichael, Thomas H. Timmons, Paul F. Connally, from the North Georgia Conference. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? William C. Lovett, Charles D. Adams, Robert B. Bryan, William J. Flanders. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? William F. Lloyd, Don Q. Abbott, Littleton A. Snow, Samuel W. Stubbs, Robert M. Booth, Thaddeus I. Nease, Robert J. Walker. 7.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? William F. Lloyd, Don Q. Abbott, Littleton A. Snow, Samuel W. Stubbs, Robert M. Booth, Thaddeus I. Nease, Robert J. Walker. 7.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Frederick D. Wimberly, Henry F. Sessions, William P. Jordan, Nicholas M. Reddick, Daniel J. Mathews, James W. Pope. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Frederick D. Wimberly, Nicholas M. Reddick, William C. Carter. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Isaac F. Carey, James E. Rorie, Joseph W. Weston, Cornelius E. Boland, Pleasant H. Crumpler, William M. C. Conley, Wilbur F. Bearden. 7.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Isaac F. Carey, James E. Rorie, Joseph W. Weston, Cornelius E. Boland, Pleasant H. Crumpler, William M. C. Conley. 6.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? William Foster, Jacob C. McGehee, William A. Singleton, William J. Morris, Charles H. Connors, Isaac W. Boring. 6.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? William J. Morris, William Foster, William A. Singleton, Malcom Hair. 4.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Robert F. Williamson, Shelton R. Weaver, Charles J. Toole, Don Q. Abbott. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? W. H. Thomas, James Dunwody, Wyatt Brooks, David Crenshaw, H. P. Pitchford, Leonard C. Peek, Young F. Tigner, Walter Knox, John W. Talley, William S. Baker, James Harris, W. F. Conley, Jacob R. Owen, Capel Raiford, F. R. C. Ellis, L. G. R. Wiggins. 16.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Alvin J. Dean. 1.

ALVIN JACKSON DEAN was born in De Kalb county, Georgia, February 21, 1831. He joined the Church at Flint Hill camp-meeting, in Gwinnett county, in 1850; was licensed to preach in March, 1853; and was admitted into the Georgia Conference in December, 1854. He served for the first three years as junior preacher on the Sylvania, the Waynesboro, and the Louisville circuits. In 1858 he trav-

eled the Starkesville Circuit and Mission. In 1859 he was stationed in Hawkinsville. During the next four years he traveled consecutively the Pataula, the Butler, the Harris, and the Geneva circuits. From 1864 to 1867, inclusive, he served the Hamilton Circuit. Then for three years he was stationed in Bainbridge; in 1871, at Wesley Chapel, in the city of Columbus; in 1871, in Perry; and for the next four years in Lumpkin. At the last Conference he was again appointed to the Perry Station, from whence, on the 20th of July last, this faithful, patient, sweet-spirited man of God ascended to his bright reward. Brother Dean was the son of pious parents, who sought to train him for Christ and the Church. His childhood was spent in the atmosphere of a truly religious household. He was often heard to say, as he related his Christian experience, that he could not remember when he was not religiously inclined. As he grew toward manhood under these gracious influences, those lovable traits of character with which he was by nature so richly endowed had added to them the bloom and fragrance which grace only can supply. A call from God into the Christian ministry perhaps never imposed harder requirements than in the case of our departed brother. The agony of the struggle through which he had to pass when called from the retirement so suited to his disposition, and thrust out into public life, may well be imagined when we consider the diffidence of nature which characterized him even in his later years. In the estimation of his friends, many of those very traits of character which made him so generally beloved, when viewed with reference to the duties of the ministry, seemed to preclude all hope of his success, and they sought to influence him to abandon the effort. One who knew him intimately during that period, and had discovered the many good and valuable qualities which he possessed, informs us that so excessive was his self-depreciation, and from this cause so little of promise did there appear of his usefulness, that it was with difficulty that he obtained license to preach; that his first efforts were entire failures; that the Conference reluctantly received him upon trial; and that the report from his first field of labor was discouraging. But his was the spirit which enabled the martyrs to endure all things for Christ's sake. And there were in him, by the grace of God, such thoughts of religious principle and such energy of religious purpose that his life became after all a glorious success, and his infirmities as though they were not, except by their chastening influence developing more and more that meekness and gentleness of spirit which so greatly distinguished him. While he was with us so gently did the currents of his life seem to flow along, so patiently and uncomplainingly did he endure, that many did not suspect the severe experiences through which his character was being ripened for the company of the pure in heart who see the face of God. Brother Dean was a man of superior intellectual endowments. Though his native powers were

obscured, especially in the earlier years of his ministry, by the serious constitutional defects already alluded to, and burdened though he was by life-long infirmities of the body, he became a preacher of fine abilities, clear and forcible in thought and style, and strong in word and doctrine to convince the judgment and move the conscience. He was always a patient and laborious student, and his sermons gave evidence of thorough preparation. But it was not mere intellectual superiority, but the completeness and maturity of his own religious character, which gave weight to his ministry, and opened to him the door to usefulness. He had the true unction, without which talents are vain—the spirit of the Master rested upon him, and breathed in all his ministrations in public and in private. He was deeply pious, “a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith.” There was so little of display in his modest career that it is possible that some may have failed to estimate his real worth to the Church and to the cause of Christ. But the leaven of such a character is the true power which is building up the kingdom of God among men here, through the spirit of God; is the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Brother Dean had few superiors as a pastor. He possessed a rare fitness for the peculiar duties of that office; it was there especially that he so strikingly illustrated the power there is for good in the gentler graces of the Christian character. That he possessed all the necessary sterner qualities, we cannot doubt, in view of the struggles and triumphs of his life; but with these there were blended such meekness and humility, such an absence of self, and such sincerity of sympathy in the joys and sorrows and for the welfare of his people, that he readily won their affections and their confidence; and by the rich experiences of his own inner life he knew well how to minister to their spiritual wants. But his pure and gentle spirit has done with both the rough encounters in the world and the fruitful labors in the Master's vineyard. In the summer of last year, while preaching in Lumpkin, he was stricken down in the pulpit with partial paralysis of the brain. A more serious attack, under similar circumstances, early in July of this year, proved his final summons from the field of earthly suffering and toil. He lingered for nearly two weeks, resigned and patient, as he had been in all the events of life, and then peacefully passed away. The life so marked with spiritual conflicts, and yet so full of peace, so noble for its triumphs, and yet so humble, so fruitful of blessings to men, so rich in the praise of redeeming grace, so holy an offering to God, has ended in its full reward.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

## Savannah District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Savannah: Trinity .....	408	3
Wesley .....	313	
City Mission .....		
Springfield .....	502	3
Sylvania .....	369	3
Scarboro .....	180	2
Bethel .....	259	2
Alexander .....	585	1
Waynesboro .....	341	1
Bethany .....	525	1
Louisville .....	518	6
Sandersville and Tennille .....	124	2
Washington .....	379	
Davisboro .....	491	1
Gibson .....	318	3
	5315	28

## Macon District.

Macon: Mulberry Street .....	407	1
Jones's Chapel .....	123	
First Street .....	360	1
East Macon .....	110	
Macon Circuit .....	399	3
Irwinton .....	240	1
Jeffersonville .....	395	4
Gordon .....	186	1
Toombsboro .....	7	
Hawkinsville and Cochran .....	112	1
Haynesville .....	401	2
Perry .....	153	2
Byron Mission .....	143	
Fort Valley and Marshalville .....	411	5
Crawford .....	386	4
	3833	25

## Columbus District.

Columbus: St. Luke's .....	490	1
St. Paul's .....	223	3
Broad Street .....	185	
Girard and Trinity .....	323	
Catania .....	341	1
Hamilton .....	340	3
Talbotton .....	170	
Talbot .....	516	3
Geneva .....	248	2
Butler .....	425	7
Cusseta .....	580	2
Buena Vista .....	308	2
Marion .....	312	3
	4471	27

## Americus District.

Americus .....	370	4
Magnolia .....	371	3
Ellaville .....	362	2
Oglethorpe .....	529	6
Buck Creek .....		
Montezuma .....	142	1
Vienna .....	502	2
Dawson and Smithville .....	432	2
Leesburg .....	150	
Terrell .....	453	4
Calhoun .....	160	1
Lumpkin and Weston .....	250	2
Cuthbert and Georgetown .....	213	3
Randolph .....	438	5
Quitman .....	280	2
Stewart .....	360	1
Muckalee .....	470	7
	5482	45

## Thomasville District.

Thomasville .....	237	2
Fort Gaines and Blakely .....	337	3
Cedar Spring Mission .....	129	1
Arlington .....	200	
Albany Mission .....	96	2
Camilla Mission .....	365	1
Calro .....	414	4
Bainbridge .....	134	1
Decatur .....	356	3

## Thomasville District (continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Trinity .....	275	2
Spring Hill .....	125	1
Boston .....	230	1
Quitman .....	108	2
Valdosta (no report) .....		
Ocapileo .....	231	2
Morven .....	250	3
Lowndes and Echols .....	250	1
	3737	29

## Brunswick District.

Brunswick .....	128	2
Camden Mission .....	121	
St. Mary's .....	91	
Charlton .....	130	1
Darien .....	43	
Jonesville Mission .....	95	
Hinesville .....	400	6
Jesup .....	277	1
Blackshear Mission .....	80	1
Homerville .....	119	2
Nashville .....	286	2
Montrie Mission .....	121	6
South Coffee Mission .....	92	
Worth .....	96	3
Waycross .....	280	5
	2350	29

## Dublin District.

Dublin .....	420	2
Laurens Mission .....	202	1
Eastman Mission .....	125	
Telfair .....	368	2
Ocmulgee .....	261	1
Spring Hill and Mission .....	361	1
Mt. Vernon and Mission .....	270	1
Reidsville .....	455	1
Bryan Mission .....	121	
Bulloch Mission .....	117	1
Swainsboro .....	559	7
Wrightsville .....	727	6
Appling .....	280	3
Wilcox Mission .....	110	1
	4297	31

## Recapitulation.

Savannah District .....	5315	28
Macon .....	3833	25
Columbus .....	4471	27
Americus .....	5482	45
Thomasville .....	3737	29
Brunswick .....	2350	29
Dublin .....	4297	31
Total this year .....	29,494	216
Total last year .....	29,697	216
Decrease .....	203	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 798.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,341.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 322.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,856.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 12,619.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$3,195.90. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for

missions? Foreign Missions, \$2,223.46; Domestic Missions, \$3,932.95. Total, \$6,156.41.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Thomasville, Ga.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

### SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

*A. T. Mann, P. E.*

Savannah: Trinity, R. J. Corley.

Wesley Monumental Church and Isle of Hope, J. O. Branch.

City Mission, J. W. Simmons.

Springfield, E. J. Burch.

Sylvania, J. S. Jordan.

Scarboro, C. E. Boland.

Bethel, J. R. McClesky.

Alexander, N. D. Morehouse.

Waynesboro, R. B. Lester.

Bethany, J. M. Austin.

Louisville, J. D. Mauldin.

Sandersville and Tennille, R. M. Lockwood.

Washington, J. D. Anthony.

Davisboro, R. B. Bryan.

Gibson, J. W. Folsom.

### MACON DISTRICT.

*J. O. A. Clark, P. E.*

Macon: Mulberry Street and Vineville, G. G. N. McDonell.

Jones's Chapel, S. N. Tucker.

First Street, W. Lewis; C. J. Toole, Sup.

East Macon and Mission, R. L. Honiker.

Macon Circuit, J. E. Rorie.

Irwinton, to be supplied (by W. S. Baker).

Jeffersonville, J. W. Domingos.

Gordon, J. W. Burke, C. W. Smith.

Toombsboro, D. R. McWilliams.

Hawkinsville and Cochran, A. M. Williams.

Haynesville, R. L. Wiggins.

Fort Valley and Perry, J. B. McGehee.

Byron Mission, to be supplied (by L. G. Evans).

Crawford, J. B. Culpepper.

Marshallsville and Montezuma, P. S. Twitty.

Orphans' Home, L. P. Payne, Agent and Superintendent.

Wesleyan Female College, W. C. Bass, C. W.

Smith, H. W. Key.

*Southern Christian Advocate*, J. W. Burke, Assistant Editor.

### COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

*A. M. Wynn, P. E.*

Columbus: St. Luke, J. O. A. Cook.

St. Paul, J. S. Key.

Broad Street, A. Wright.

Girard and Trinity, J. V. M. Morris.

Cataula, J. B. Wardlaw; D. Q. Abbott, Sup.

Hamilton, S. D. Clements.

Talbotton, B. F. Breedlove.

Talbot, W. W. Stewart.

Geneva, L. A. Darsey.

Butler, G. S. Johnston.

Reynolds, W. H. Tigner.

Cusseta, H. C. Fentress.

Upatoie, W. J. Stallings.

Buena Vista and Tazewell, J. P. Wardlaw.

Marion, A. P. Wright.

### AMERICUS DISTRICT.

*J. W. Hinton, P. E.*

Americus, F. A. Branch.

Magnolia, J. R. Littlejohn.

Ellaville, P. H. Crumpler; R. F. Williamson, Sup.

Oglethorpe, S. S. Sweet.

Cedar Creek, R. M. Booth.

Vienna, R. F. Evans.

Dawson and Smithville, R. W. Dixon.

Leesburg, L. A. Snow.

Terrell, J. M. Potter.

Calhoun Mission, P. C. Harris.

Lunipkin and Weston, T. H. Timmons.

Cuthbert and Georgetown, G. C. Clarke.

Randolph, J. T. Ainsworth.

Clay, to be supplied (by W. D. Stewart).

Stewart, G. T. Embry.

Sumter, W. W. Tidwell.

### • THOMASVILLE DISTRICT.

*E. A. H. McGehee, P. E.*

Thomasville, T. T. Christian.

Fort Gaines, W. C. Lovett; S. R. Weaver, Sup.

Blakely, W. F. Lloyd.

Albany and Mission, H. R. Felder.

Camilla, E. J. Rentz.

Pelham, to be supplied.

Cairo, C. C. Hines.

Bainbridge, G. J. Griffiths.

Decatur, J. M. Marshall.

Trinity, P. F. Connally.

Spring Hill, S. W. Stubbs.

Boston, T. K. Leonard.

Ocapilco, E. H. Harman.

Morven, W. Lane.

Lowndes and Echols, N. B. Ousley.

Quitman and Valdosta, W. M. Hayes.

### BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.

*J. E. Sentell, P. E.*

Brunswick, R. J. Walker.

Camden, T. S. Armistead.

St. Mary's, G. C. Thompson.

Charlton, W. M. C. Conley.

Darien, B. W. Key.

Jonesville Mission, W. F. Bearden.

Hinesville, P. B. Sims.

Bryan Mission, to be supplied (by W. F. Conley).

Jesup, A. A. Ellenwood.

Blackshear and Waycross, J. W. Weston.

Homerville, C. T. Bickley.

Nashville, I. F. Gary.

Brookfield Mission, B. S. Key.

Moultrie Mission, to be supplied.

South Coffee Mission, to be supplied (by J. E. Tooke).

Worth Mission, S. G. Childs.

Waresboro, D. G. Pope.

### DUBLIN DISTRICT.

*T. B. Lanier, P. E.*

Dublin, C. A. Moore.

Laurens Mission, to be supplied (by Joseph Langston).

Eastman Mission, E. M. Whiting.  
 Telfair, W. F. Roberts.  
 Ocmulgee, David Blalock.  
 Spring Hill and Mission, T. I. Nease.  
 Mt. Vernon and Mission, W. J. Flanders.  
 Reidsville, W. T. McMichael.  
 Bulloch, C. D. Adams.  
 Swainsboro, J. J. Giles.  
 Wrightsville, to be supplied (by J. B. Purvis).

Appling, J. L. Williams.  
 Wilcox Mission, to be supplied (by John Skipper).  
 Conference Missionary, L. Pierce.  
 Sunday-school Agent, S. Anthony.  
 O. L. Smith, Professor in Emory College.

W. F. Robison transferred to the North Georgia Conference.

## SOUTH-WEST MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT INDEPENDENCE, MO., September 27–October 2, 1877.

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; C. C. WOODS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
 ANSWER. J. W. Agee, John N. Anthony, F. A. Briggs, A. C. Briggs, Martin Bahrenburg, I. M. Carter, M. A. Ewing, M. L. McClure, W. B. Palmore. 9.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? L. P. Norfleet, F. A. Taylor, W. C. Bone, J. L. Logan, W. M. McAlister, H. M. White, W. M. Poage, J. C. Given, J. B. Ellis, S. M. Godbey, T. J. Stringfield. 11.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? J. B. Winton, J. C. Coss, J. G. L. Mitchell, R. W. Reynolds. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? T. P. Hill, J. C. Daily. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? J. B. Winton, R. W. Reynolds. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? J. B. Winton, R. W. Reynolds. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? J. W. Agee, Calvin H. Wells, Isaac M. Carter, James A. Matthews. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? J. W. Agee, Calvin H. Wells, I. M. Carter, J. A. Matthews, George H. Kurn. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? L. W. Pearce, J. A. Swift. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? L. W. Pearce, J. A. Swift. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Jacob Keith. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? John A. Murphy, R. M. Baker. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? J. C. Shackleford, H. W. Webster. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? N. T. Shaler, William Holmes, J. M. Kelly, J. M. Proctor, W. M. Pitts, W. J. Brown, C. F. Dryden. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

### Boonville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Boonville Station.....	185	.....	2
Belle Air Circuit.....	272	.....	1
Arrow Rock.....	202	.....	1
Marshall Station.....	170	.....	.....
Cambridge.....	235	2	2
Longwood.....	139	.....	2
Sedalia Circuit.....	189	.....	3
Versailles.....	68	.....	1
California.....	318	.....	2
Oterville.....	135	.....	1
Prairie Home.....	223	1	1
Jefferson City Station.....	73	.....	.....
Jefferson City Circuit.....	250	.....	1
Chamois.....	184	.....	.....
	2736	3	19

### Lexington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lexington Station.....	163	.....	2
La Monte Circuit.....	264	.....	3
Clinton and Windsor.....	179	2	4
Brownsville and Blackwater.....	175	.....	2
Dover Circuit.....	250	.....	.....
Waverly Station.....	124	.....	2
Grand Pass Circuit.....	281	.....	1
Miami and Mt. Carmel.....	202	.....	.....
Sedalia Station.....	92	.....	.....
Warrensburg.....	95	.....	1
Clinton Circuit.....	375	.....	2
Warsaw Circuit.....	250	.....	1
Wellington.....	242	1	1
	2730	3	19

*Kansas City District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Kansas City Station.....	294	.....	2
Westport and Belton.....	163	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill and Lee's Summit.....	251	.....	3
Independence.....	131	.....	1
Harrisonville.....	239	.....	3
Columbus.....	504	.....	3
Pink Hill.....	218	4	1
Index.....	278	.....	2
Montrose.....	260	.....	2
Butler.....	236	.....	5
Round Prairie.....	144	.....	2
	2718	4	25

*Neosho District.*

Neosho Circuit.....	241	2	1
Pineville Circuit.....	424	.....	2
Cassville Circuit.....	351	1	5
Sarcoxi Circuit.....	378	1	3
Carthage Circuit.....	182	.....	2
Golden City Mission.....	62	.....	.....
Montevallo Circuit.....	158	.....	5
Nevada Circuit.....	300	.....	4
Little Osage Circuit.....	233	1	9
Walker Circuit.....	86	.....	.....
Osceola Circuit.....	157	.....	5
	2572	5	30

*Springfield District.*

Springfield Station.....	158	.....	3
Springfield Circuit.....	290	.....	2
Morrisville Circuit.....	196	.....	.....
Bolivar Circuit.....	175	.....	1
Ash Grove Circuit.....	295	.....	.....
Stockton Circuit.....	185	.....	2
Henderson Circuit.....	177	.....	6
Marshfield Circuit.....	569	.....	6
Lebanon.....	184	.....	6
Waynesville.....	125	.....	.....
Buffalo.....	214	.....	2
Mt. Vernon.....	280	.....	1
Greenfield.....	332	.....	2
	3180	.....	28

*Recapitulation.*

Boonville District.....	2736	3	19
Lexington ".....	2732	3	19
Kansas City ".....	2718	4	25
Neosho ".....	2572	5	30
Springfield ".....	3180	.....	28
Total this year.....	13,938	15	121
Total last year.....	13,567	15	95
Increase.....	371	.....	26

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 298.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 671.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 87.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 638.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 4,291.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1,657.91.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,198.18. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$1,536.38; Domestic Missions, \$1,380.80. Total, \$2,917.18.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Clinton, Mo.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

**BOONVILLE DISTRICT.**

*C. C. Wood, P. E.*

Boonville, C. H. Briggs.  
Belle Air, Josiah Godbey.  
Arrow Rock, J. F. Hogan.  
Marshall, W. M. Poage.  
Cambridge, J. Spencer, one to be supplied.  
Longwood, M. Duren.  
Sedalia, R. A. Allen.

Versailles, R. A. Holloway.  
California, J. C. Given, M. Bahrenburg.  
Otterville, F. A. Taylor.  
Prairie Home, A. C. Briggs.  
Jefferson City Station, W. C. Godbey.  
Jefferson City Circuit, J. W. Agee.  
Chamois, J. B. H. Wooldridge.

**LEXINGTON DISTRICT.**

*M. Adkisson, P. E.*

Lexington Station, M. G. Williams.  
Lamonte, W. M. Bewley, W. C. Bone.  
Clinton and Windsor, W. F. Camp.  
Brownsville and Blackwater, B. Margeson.  
Dover, R. H. Shaeffer; J. C. Shackelford, Sup.  
Waverly, L. P. Norfleet.  
Elmwood and Grand Pass, A. M. Rader.  
Miami and Mt. Carmel, Preston Phillips.  
Sedalia Station, E. G. Frazier.  
Warrensburg, L. M. Phillips.  
Clinton, W. L. King.  
Wellington, John R. Bennet.  
Central Female College, M. M. Pugh, Agent.

**KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.**

*J. L. D. Blevans, P. E.*

Kansas City, S. S. Bryant, W. B. Palmore.  
Westport and Belton, J. D. Wood.  
Independence, W. B. McFarland.  
Pleasant Hill and Lee's Summit, G. P. Smith.  
Harrisonville, T. D. Payne.  
Columbus, J. C. Daily, E. W. Woodward.  
Pink Hill, T. P. Cobb.  
Index, R. A. Bathurst.  
Montrose, T. Wallace.  
Butler, L. P. Siceloff.  
Round Prairie, L. H. Davis.

**NEOSHO DISTRICT.**

*W. S. Woodward, P. E.*

Neosho, T. P. Hill; H. W. Webster, Sup.  
Newtonia, to be supplied.  
Pineville, T. J. Stringfield.  
Cassville, I. M. Carter.  
Sarcoxi, W. M. McAlister.  
Carthage and Webb City, W. Harris.  
Joplin and Harmony Grove, J. B. Winton.  
Golden City, J. Tillery.  
Montevallo, W. D. Stewart.  
Walker, John N. Anthony.

Little Osage, J. C. Coss.  
Nevada Station, F. A. Briggs.  
Nevada Circuit, J. McGehee.

### SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

*G. M. Winton, P. E.*

Springfield Station, T. M. Cobb.  
Springfield Circuit, J. L. Hagler.  
Morrisville, J. B. Ellis.  
Bolivar, R. W. Reynolds.  
Ash Grove, J. G. L. Mitchell.  
Stockton, H. M. White.  
Henderson, M. L. McClure.  
Marshfield, L. W. Pearce; E. E. Darby, supply.  
Mt. Vernon, J. W. Bond.  
Greenfield, J. A. Swift.  
Morrisville Institute, W. C. Montgomery,  
President; S. M. Godbey, Professor of Lan-

guages; M. A. Ewing, Principal of Intermediate Department.

### LEBANON DISTRICT.

*J. B. Landreth, P. E.*

Lebanon, J. P. Barnaby.  
Hartsville, to be supplied.  
Waynesville, to be supplied.  
Bloomgarden, to be supplied.  
Osage, to be supplied (by C. L. Bridges).  
Warsaw, T. W. Danner.  
Osceola, J. L. Logan.  
Buffalo, to be supplied (by J. A. Matthews).  
W. M. Prottzman, Sunday-school Agent.

H. A. Bourland transferred to the North Texas Conference.

W. H. Stevens transferred to the Holston Conference.

## ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ST. LOUIS, MO., *September 5-10, 1877.*

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; W. M. SHELTON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. Silas W. Emory, John B. Clayton,  
Wesley R. Craven, James B. Rice. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? James J.  
Watts, Jefferson W. Johnson, S. D. Biffle, J. L.  
Batton, Sydney Richmond. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Isom L. Spencer, James A. Carter, Samuel A. Dyson, Albert T. Tidwell. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. G. Wilson, from the Louisville Conference. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? C. E. W. Smith, S. C. Biffle, Joseph A. Russell, J. W. Robinson, J. R. Ledbetter, J. T. Allen, J. C. Alexander. 7.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Isom L. Spencer, Samuel A. Dyson. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Isom L. Spencer, Samuel A. Dyson. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Silas W. Emory. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Silas W. Emory, C. F. Linza. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Alexander M. Robinson, R. F. Chew. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Alexander M. Robinson, R. F. Chew. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Thomas D. Burton, Thomas W. Carpenter. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? J. C. Williams, C. E. W. Smith, Samuel A. Dyson. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Christian Eaker, John Thomas, W. R. Babcock, J. N. W. Springer, F. A. Owen. 5.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of W. M. Williams, who had withdrawn.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

### *St. Louis District.*

	Members.	Loc'l Pr's.
First Church.....	299	4
Centenary.....	361	1
St. John's.....	395	4
St. Paul's.....	87	.....
Chouteau Avenue.....	82	.....
Carondelet.....	121	.....
Bellefontaine.....	190	.....
Bridgeton.....	139	.....
Eden.....	65	.....
Mt. Olive.....	81	1

St. Louis District (continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Kirkwood and Fenton.....	140	.....
Manchester.....	77	1
Marvin Chapel.....	61	.....
	2089	11

Charleston District.

Charleston Station.....	165	2
Charleston Circuit.....	151	3
Jackson Circuit.....	196	.....
Benton Circuit.....	120	.....
Lukesville Circuit.....	462	2
Oak Ridge Circuit.....	373	1
Belmont Circuit.....	213	.....
New Madrid Circuit.....	207	1
Gayoso Circuit.....	220	.....
York Chapel Circuit.....	153	.....
	2260	9

Salem District.

Salem and Rolla.....	168	2
Houston Circuit.....	119	3
Maramec Circuit.....	223	.....
Licking Circuit.....	270	4
Rolla Circuit.....	190	2
Cuba Circuit.....	136	1
St. Clair Circuit.....	127	2
Steelville Circuit.....	101	1
Labadie Circuit.....	143	.....
Lane's Prairie Circuit.....	24	.....
Washington Circuit.....	78	1
	1579	16

Poplar Bluff District.

Poplar Bluff Station.....	68	2
Poplar Bluff Circuit.....	222	4
Doniphan Circuit.....	189	.....
Alton Circuit.....	214	5
Van Buren Circuit.....	94	1
Eminence Circuit.....	194	3
Patterson Circuit.....	60	2
Bloomfield Circuit.....	352	1
Grand Prairie Circuit.....	316	4
West Prairie.....	323	4
Greenville.....	183	.....
West Plains.....	208	5
	2423	31

Iron Mountain District.

Iron Mountain Circuit.....	335	3
Potosi Circuit.....	200	2
Plattin Circuit.....	268	1
Farmington Circuit.....	275	2
Fredericktown Station.....	147	.....
Fredericktown Circuit.....	260	3
Richwoods Circuit.....	66	.....
	1551	11

Recapitulation.

St. Louis District.....	2089	11
Charleston ".....	2260	9
Salem ".....	1579	16
Poplar Bluff ".....	2423	31
Iron Mountain ".....	1551	11
Total this year.....	9,902	78
Total last year.....	10,016	77
Increase.....		1
Decrease.....	114	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 329.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 521.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 105.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 705.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 3,942.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$3,100.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,558.05. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$1,102; Domestic Missions, \$1,563.32. Total, \$2,665.32.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Charleston, Mississippi county, Mo.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.

J. W. Lewis, P. E.

First Church, J. E. Godbey.  
Centenary, W. V. Tudor.  
St. John's, J. G. Wilson.  
St. Paul's, E. M. Bounds.  
Chouteau Avenue, J. J. Watts.  
Bellefontaine, J. C. Berryman.  
Bridgeton, J. S. Frazier.  
Eden, F. A. Morris.  
Mt. Olive, A. T. Tidwell.  
Kirkwood, I. L. Spencer.  
Fenton, J. B. Clayton.  
Manchester, W. M. Shelton.  
Marvin Mission, to be supplied (by W. P. Mays).  
Page Avenue, R. F. Chew.  
St. Louis Christian Advocate, D. R. McAnally,  
Editor.

SALEM DISTRICT.

H. Hanesworth, P. E.

Salem and Rolla, J. W. Robinson.  
Houston, A. M. Robinson.  
Maramec, I. R. Hicks.  
Licking, J. Garton.  
Rolla Circuit, J. B. Rice; S. A. Dyson, Sup.  
Cuba, J. W. Johnson.  
St. Clair, J. A. Carter.  
Steelville, Wesley R. Craven.  
Labadie, Wesley Browning.  
Washington, S. W. Emory.

POPLAR BLUFF DISTRICT.

L. F. Aspley, P. E.

Poplar Bluff Circuit, J. Little.  
Doniphan, J. H. Cox.  
Alton, to be supplied (by B. S. McNail).  
West Plains, R. A. Bradley.  
Centerville, S. D. Biffle.  
Eminence, to be supplied (by J. Knowlinger).  
Piedmont, J. L. Batton.  
Dexter, J. R. Eddleman.  
Spring Hill, to be supplied (by N. C. Chastine).  
Grand Prairie, J. R. Ledbetter.  
Clarkton, to be supplied (by E. V. Glass).

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

M. Arrington, P. E.

Charleston Station, B. K. Thrower.  
Charleston Circuit, L. W. Powell.

Jackson Circuit, J. C. Alexander.  
 Benton Circuit, C. E. Devinney.  
 Lutesville Circuit, T. G. Atchison; C. E. W. Smith, Sup.  
 Oak Ridge, J. A. Russell.  
 Belmont, S. Richmond.  
 New Madrid, H. N. Watts.  
 Gayoso, to be supplied.  
 York Chapel and Mt. Pleasant, J. T. Allen.

Plattin, D. J. Marquis.  
 De Soto, to be supplied (by J. L. McFarland).  
 Farmington, J. H. Headlee.  
 Fredericktown, G. W. Hull.  
 Spring Valley, W. P. Gibson.  
 Richwoods, G. M. Effinger.  
 Caledonia Circuit, H. S. Watts.  
 Bellevue Collegiate Institute, T. M. Finney, President.

#### IRON MOUNTAIN DISTRICT.

*T. M. Finney, P. E.*

Potosi, C. O. Jones.

C. F. Quelmalz transferred to the German Mission Conference.

J. E. Treadwell transferred to the Memphis Conference.

### TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT EDGEFIELD, TENN., *October 3-11, 1877.*

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; ROBERT A. YOUNG, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
 ANSWER. S. M. Parks, W. T. Rowland, E. L. Jones, A. J. Lawless, F. L. Carpenter, W. H. Klyce, J. N. Handlin. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? C. M. Hensley, R. J. Craig, J. W. Hensley, W. K. Sebastian, E. A. Carsey, S. W. Bransford, J. R. Williams, T. B. Malone, A. R. Faris, D. G. Ray, T. L. Darnell. 11.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? W. R. Lambuth, G. W. Johnson, E. Dickens, H. B. Reams, C. E. Heriges, J. F. Corbin, S. M. Griffin, W. H. Doss, Z. W. Moores, J. H. Roberts, W. T. Nesbitt. 11.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. Webster, L. G. Hensley, W. R. Peebles, M. A. Erwin, W. A. Leath, S. H. Andrews. 6.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? G. W. Johnson, H. B. Reams, C. E. Heriges, J. F. Corbin, S. M. Griffin, W. H. Doss, Z. W. Moores, J. H. Roberts, W. T. Nesbitt. 9.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? G. W. Johnson, H. B. Reams, C. E. Heriges, J. F. Corbin, S. M. Griffin, W. H. Doss, Z. W. Moores, J. H. Roberts, W. T. Nesbitt. 9.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? T. C. Holmes, F. D. Villegas, J. W. Hall, T. F. Lassiter, W. H. Swift, S. S. Maxwell, J. S. Custer, R. M. Woodward, J. H. Harrison, W. H. Klyce, A. B. Joyce, C. H. Yates, G. W. Jenkins. 13.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? T. C. Holmes, F. D. Villegas, T. F.

Lassiter, W. H. Swift, R. M. Woodward, J. E. Harrison, W. H. Klyce, C. H. Yates, G. W. Jenkins, S. H. G. Baggell, B. S. Turner, C. W. Barrier, W. A. Bridges. 13.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? J. W. Bell, R. W. Seay, T. A. Kerley, W. J. Collier, S. L. Fain, M. J. Mabry, H. S. McBride, B. F. Haynes, A. M. Thornton (received as an elder from the M. E. Church). 9.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elder? J. W. Bell, R. W. Seay, T. A. Kerley, W. J. Collier, S. L. Fain, M. J. Mabry, H. S. McBride, B. F. Haynes. 8.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? D. E. Morris, M. A. Byers, G. W. Cook, T. K. True, D. M. Booth, Thomas Kirby. 6.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? M. A. Byers, G. W. Cook, E. W. Warren, G. W. Johnson. 4.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? C. Saxon. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? John Rains, W. R. Warren, J. J. Ellis, A. C. Matthews, W. H. Johnson, M. N. Ford, A. H. Reams, C. B. Faris, W. M. Shaw, T. B. Marks, W. H. Riggins, J. M. Locke, B. F. Jackson, J. B. Hamilton, J. H. Strayhorn, H. L. Booth, A. B. Coke, G. W. Brown, S. D. Ogburn, George M. Sanders, J. B. Anderson, John S. Marks, Alpheus Mizell, W. T. Gill, John W. Hanner, sr., John O. Blanton, S. M. Griffin. 27.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? A. G. Ford, E. J. Allen, Jordan Moore, J. W. Tarrant, A. J. B. Foster, Golman Green, Stanford Lassiter, George W. Martin, R. G. Irvine. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? A. F. Lawrence. 1.

ABRAHAM FRANKLIN LAWRENCE, son of Jesse and Ann L. Lawrence, was born in Marshall county, Tennessee, September 19, 1824. He was converted when young, and early impressed that his great life-work was to preach the gospel. He joined the Tennessee Conference in October, 1848, and was sent, with the Rev. J. R. McClure, to the Rock Creek Circuit, the home of his childhood. His memory is yet very precious to the people of his first charge. There, as in his different fields of labor, he was an efficient and useful man. In 1849-50 he was in charge of the Russell Valley Circuit, North Alabama; then stationed for two years at Loweville (now Maysville), Ala., after which he was at Sparta and Franklin stations, in Tennessee, one year each. Then for two years he was stationed in Gallatin. The three years following he was presiding elder on the Centerville District; Agent of the Book and Tract Society in 1859-60; stationed in Athens, Ala., next for two years; then sent to Pulaski Station. In 1865-6 he filled the Cornersville Station, and the year following the Spring Hill Station. Then for two years he was in charge of the Harpeth Circuit, and then stationed at Harpeth one year. Next he was on the Bethesda Circuit for the full term of four years; then one year on the Spring Hill Circuit, from which he went to Fayetteville Station. His last appointment was the Wesley Circuit. He married Miss Maggie Rozell in October, 1860, who died in September, 1867, leaving two little boys, Frank and Magnus. In October, 1869, he was married to Miss Polie Pope, who died in less than two years, and left a little daughter. He was married to Miss Ann Bell Marshall February 7, 1871. She, with her little daughter and his other three children, yet survives him. For a number of years Brother Lawrence was among the most acceptable and useful members of our Conference. He was specially gifted for successful work in the Lord's vineyard. Genial and social in spirit, he won the hearts of his people at their homes. An acceptable preacher, and gifted in song, he excelled in conducting revivals, which often blessed his faithful labors in protracted meetings. He possessed a peculiar magnetism, which drew about him warm hearts, whose friendship never failed him in the greatest trials of his last years. Sister Lawrence writes: "He was the kindest of husbands—so devoted, so sympathetic, so gentle, always ready to soothe and encourage those he loved. Duty often called him away from home; but he loved his home, and was glad to be much with his family. He was acquainted with sorrow, grief, affliction, and disappointment. Once he went to Conference with the purpose of locating, but was always glad afterward that he did not do so. He came from the last Conference well pleased with his appointment, with bright prospects before him, anticipating a pleasant year." But his work was well-nigh done. While preaching at Greenwood, on Sunday, December 17, he was taken sick—broke down during his sermon; was compelled to rest; reached his

new home on the circuit with difficulty, and was taken down with pneumonia, and later was partially paralyzed. He had suffered for some years with disease of the heart. For twenty-nine days he suffered much, but his patience and faith never faltered. She who was with him during his last years of great trial writes: "He talked about dying a great deal. He was anxious to depart and be with Christ." One of the brethren who attended his funeral wrote: "From the beginning he did not think he should get well; spoke calmly of his decease; said he was willing to die, but regretted leaving his family. Again said he was only waiting for death." He greatly desired to see some of his brethren of the Tennessee Conference before his departure, mentioning specially one on an adjoining work; but owing to the deep snow, his dying wish was not communicated to his brethren until he had quietly fallen asleep in Jesus, on January 16, 1877. His remains rest in the cemetery at Franklin, near where he lived and labored much in the vineyard of the Master. He leaves a widow and four children, who realize deeply their great loss, and claim a large share of the sympathies of this Conference.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Nashville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Nashville: McKendree.....	786	.....	7
Elm Street.....	750	.....	2
West End.....	226	.....	2
Woodbine and Carroll Street.....	150	.....	4
Arlington.....	75	.....	.....
Sawrie Chapel and City Mission...	120	.....	3
Tulip Street.....	452	.....	5
North Edgefield.....	287	.....	4
Union.....	284	.....	1
White's Creek.....	265	.....	1
Hampton.....	48	.....	.....
Nashville Circuit.....	515	.....	5
	3968	.....	31

#### Gallatin District.

Gallatin Station.....	173	.....	.....
Sumner Circuit.....	230	.....	2
Saundersville.....	216	.....	.....
Bethphage and Cairo.....	277	.....	.....
Cairo Bend.....	188	.....	1
Fountain Head.....	357	.....	1
Pleasant Grove.....	500	.....	4
Goodlettsville.....	362	.....	3
Lebanon Station.....	200	.....	1
Lebanon Circuit.....	504	.....	3
Summit Mission.....	340	.....	3
Forest Grove.....	268	.....	3
	3615	.....	21

#### Carthage District.

Carthage Circuit.....	197	.....	2
Mt. Oliver.....	298	.....	.....
Alexandria.....	381	.....	5
Cumberland.....	560	2	6
Cookville Mission.....	250	.....	1
Livingston.....	475	1	2

## Carthage District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Monroe Mission.....	153	.....	1
Celina.....	288	.....	1
Gainesboro.....	289	.....	8
Wartrace.....	370	.....	4
Goose Creek.....	334	.....	2
La Fayette Mission.....	409	.....	3
Caney Fork Mission.....	157	.....	3
	4161	3	38

## McMinnville District.

McMinnville Station.....	65	.....	.....
McMinnville Circuit.....	406	.....	5
Tullahoma.....	255	.....	5
Hillsboro.....	480	.....	6
Bedford.....	711	.....	6
Woodbury.....	241	.....	3
Cannon Mission.....	151	.....	.....
Hickory Creek.....	889	.....	5
Sparta Station.....	101	.....	2
Sparta Circuit.....	586	.....	4
Hickory Valley Mission.....	260	.....	3
Smithville Circuit.....	502	1	3
Statesville.....	315	.....	2
	4962	1	44

## Murfreesboro District.

Murfreesboro Station.....	294	.....	1
Stone's River.....	223	.....	3
Walnut Grove.....	81	.....	.....
Concord.....	317	.....	4
Shelbyville Station.....	183	.....	.....
Unionville.....	531	.....	3
Nolensville.....	277	.....	.....
Kedron.....	340	.....	.....
Smyrna and Kelley's Chapel.....	202	.....	.....
Cainsville.....	406	.....	3
Bellbuckle.....	198	.....	1
Mill Creek.....	287	.....	.....
Sinking Creek.....	115	.....	.....
	3454	.....	15

## Fayetteville District.

Fayetteville Station.....	116	.....	2
Mulberry and Lynchburg.....	296	.....	.....
Lynchburg Circuit.....	789	.....	6
Fayetteville Circuit.....	216	.....	1
Pleasant Plains.....	527	.....	5
Cornersville Station.....	165	.....	3
Lewisburg.....	465	.....	1
Winchester Station.....	87	.....	1
Salem Circuit.....	349	.....	1
Flintville Mission.....	271	1	6
Rich Valley.....	290	.....	1
Farmington Mission.....	282	.....	1
Petersburg Circuit.....	520	.....	4
	4373	1	32

## Columbia District.

Columbia Station.....	332	.....	1
Nebo and Williamsport.....	318	.....	3
Mt. Pleasant.....	230	.....	1
Culleoka and Hurricane.....	203	.....	.....
Maecella Falls.....	468	.....	1
Pleasant Valley.....	145	.....	1
Pulaski Station.....	380	.....	2
Trinity.....	349	.....	2
Prospect.....	461	.....	2
Richland.....	442	.....	4
Elkton Station.....	64	.....	.....
Mt. Pisgah.....	567	.....	6
Giles Circuit.....	380	.....	4
Lynnville.....	278	.....	.....
	4617	.....	27

## Savannah District.

Savannah Station.....	168	.....	2
Savannah Circuit.....	505	.....	8
Lawrenceburg and Pleasant Grove.....	130	.....	1
Wayland Springs Circuit.....	380	.....	6

## Savannah District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Pisgah and Hampshire.....	182	.....	1
Laurel Hill Station.....	181	.....	3
Ashland Circuit.....	270	.....	5
Linden Circuit.....	143	.....	1
Lobleville Mission.....	75	.....	2
Clifton Circuit.....	310	.....	6
Oakland Mission.....	183	.....	4
Henryville Circuit.....	235	.....	2
Lowryville Circuit.....	367	.....	7
	3129	.....	48

## Franklin District.

Franklin Station.....	380	.....	1
Harpeth Station.....	250	.....	1
Bethlehem Station.....	215	.....	4
Cave Spring Circuit.....	368	.....	.....
Douglas Circuit.....	265	.....	2
Smith's Springs Circuit.....	430	.....	2
Wesley Circuit.....	193	.....	1
Brentwood Station.....	168	.....	1
Chapel Hill Circuit.....	328	.....	2
Spring Hill Circuit.....	244	.....	5
Bethesda Circuit.....	354	.....	1
Spring Hill Station.....	108	.....	.....
	3303	.....	20

## Centerville District.

Centerville Circuit.....	450	.....	4
Santa Fe Circuit.....	268	.....	5
Pinewood Circuit.....	459	.....	2
Yellow Creek Circuit.....	577	.....	13
Dover Circuit.....	262	.....	1
Standing Rock Circuit.....	460	.....	4
White Oak Circuit.....	300	.....	4
Ebenezer and Liberty Circuit.....	340	.....	3
Waverly Circuit.....	248	.....	2
Bon Aqua Springs Mission.....	211	.....	4
Beaver Dam Mission.....	254	.....	1
	3829	.....	43

## Clarksville District.

Clarksville Station.....	391	.....	3
New Providence and Bethel.....	145	.....	.....
Cedar Hill Circuit.....	624	.....	3
Asbury Circuit.....	592	.....	2
Blooming Grove Circuit.....	177	.....	4
Red River Circuit.....	481	.....	3
Springfield.....	140	.....	.....
Montgomery Circuit.....	175	.....	.....
Saline Circuit.....	415	.....	6
Antioch Circuit.....	497	.....	3
Palmyra Circuit.....	300	.....	.....
Dickson Circuit.....	309	.....	2
Cheatham Circuit.....	414	.....	4
Bartow's Creek Circuit.....	185	.....	1
	4845	.....	31

## Recapitulation.

Nashville District.....	3968	.....	34
Gallatin ".....	3615	.....	21
Carthage ".....	4161	3	38
McMinnville ".....	4062	1	44
Murfreesboro ".....	3454	.....	15
Fayetteville ".....	4373	1	32
Columbia ".....	4617	.....	27
Savannah ".....	2129	.....	48
Franklin ".....	3303	.....	20
Centerville ".....	3829	.....	43
Clarksville ".....	4845	.....	31
Total this year.....	44,256	5	353
Total last year.....	42,816	12	352
Increase.....	1,440	.....	1
Decrease.....	.....	7	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 816.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,571.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 384.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,879.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 21,250.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$3,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$2,144.55. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$4,691.60; Domestic Missions, \$2,751.78. Total, \$7,443.38.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Clarksville, Tenn.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### NASHVILLE DISTRICT.

*R. K. Hargrove, P. E.*

McKendree, D. C. Kelley; John Rains, Sup.  
Elm Street, William M. Leftwich. ✓  
Woodbine, J. J. Pitts. ✓  
West End, William M. Green; A. Mizell, Sup.  
Carroll Street, Thomas L. Moody. ✓  
Arlington Station, Lewis C. Bryan. ✓  
Sawrie Chapel and City Mission, William W. Brinsfield.  
Fulip Street, John P. McFerrin. ✓  
North Edgefield, William H. Doss; William R. Warren, Sup.  
Hobson's Chapel, Clinton Clenny. ✓  
Trinity and Alex. Green, John G. Bolton. ✓  
Union Circuit, George W. Winn.  
Riverside Circuit, U. S. Bates.  
Nashville Circuit, Pinckney T. Martin. ✓  
Missionary Secretary, J. B. McFerrin.  
Vanderbilt University, R. A. Young, Secretary.  
Edgefield Male Academy, W. R. Peebles.  
J. J. Ransom, Missionary to Brazil.  
W. R. Lambuth, Missionary to China.

#### GALLATIN DISTRICT.

*J. B. Allison, P. E.*

Gallatin Station, William H. Hughes.  
Sumner Circuit, John G. Ray.  
Saundersville Circuit, William G. Dorris.  
Bethphage Station, Burkitt F. Ferrill.  
Cairo Bend Circuit, James H. Roberts; J. J. Ellis, Sup.  
Fountain Head Circuit, William J. Wright; George M. Sanders, Sup.  
Pleasant Grove Circuit, John W. Bell.  
Goodlettsville Circuit, F. S. Petway; A. C. Matthews, Sup.  
Lebanon Station, Franklin C. Wilkes.  
Lebanon Circuit, William Doss; W. H. Johnson, Sup.  
Summit Circuit, John R. Williams.  
Forest Grove Mission, Thomas B. Malone.  
Lebanon Female College, E. T. Hart, President.  
Sunday-school Agent, Jasper Nichols.

#### CARTHAGE DISTRICT.

*Berry M. Stephens, P. E.*

Carthage Circuit, John H. Nichols.  
Mt. Olivet Circuit, George D. Byrne.  
Alexandria Circuit, George L. Staley, Z. W. Moores.  
Cumberland Circuit, N. B. S. Owings.  
Cokesbury Circuit, William Witcher; M. N. Ford, Sup.  
Celina Circuit, Henry S. Kennedy.  
Wartrace Circuit, Sam. M. Bransford.  
Goose Creek Circuit, B. G. Ferrell.  
Cookville Mission, Charles E. Heriges.  
Gainesboro Mission, Alex. Matthews.  
Livingston Circuit and Monroe Mission, John L. Kellum.  
Franklin, L. Carpenter.  
La Fayette Circuit, Elijah Dickens.

#### McMINNVILLE DISTRICT.

*R. P. Ransom, P. E.*

McMinnville Station, Caleb B. Davis.  
McMinnville Circuit, Joseph Webster.  
Tullahoma Circuit, George D. Guinn.  
Hillsboro Circuit, A. M. Thornton.  
Hebron Circuit, Robert P. Gray.  
Bedford Circuit, John P. Funk.  
Woodbury Circuit, Joseph G. Myers.  
Hickory Creek Circuit, to be supplied (by A. L. Comer).  
Sparta Station, Sam. L. Fain.  
Sparta Circuit, John G. Molloy.  
Hickory Valley Circuit, U. N. M. Berry.  
Smithville Circuit, John F. Corbin; A. H. Reams, Sup.  
Statesville Circuit, W. W. Jared.  
Cannon Mission, Robert T. McBride.

#### MURFREESBORO DISTRICT.

*W. D. F. Sawrie, P. E.*

Murfreesboro Station, J. W. Hill.  
Stone's River Circuit, Alanson Brown.  
Walnut Grove and Kelley Chapel Station, G. T. Henderson.  
Concord Circuit, H. J. Ivie; C. B. Faris, Sup.  
Shelbyville Station, J. B. West; Thomas B. Marks, Sup.  
Unionville Circuit, George W. Anderson, C. M. Hensley; William M. Shaw, Sup.  
Nolensville Circuit, Richard W. Bellamy.  
Kedron Circuit, Wallace W. Graves.  
Smyrna Station, J. J. Pittman.  
Cainsville Circuit, John S. Williams.  
Bellbuckle and Wartrace, Thomas H. Hinson.  
Mill Creek Circuit, A. P. McFerrin.  
Hollandale Circuit, John W. Hensley.  
Soule College, J. B. West; John R. Thompson, Agent.  
Science Hall Academy, A. T. Crawford, President.

#### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

*James A. Orman, P. E.*

Fayetteville Station, Green P. Jackson.  
Mulberry and Lynchburg Circuit, William J. Collier.

Marble Plains Circuit, Martin R. Tucker.  
 Fayetteville Circuit, to be supplied.  
 Pleasant Plains Circuit, William B. Lowry.  
 Elkmont Springs Circuit, D. G. Ray; W. H. Riggan, Sup.  
 Cornersville Station, Alfred R. Faris.  
 Lewisburg Circuit, T. A. Kerley; W. T. Gill, Sup.  
 Winchester Station, Robert A. Reagan.  
 Salem Circuit, Sam. M. Parks; William B. Woodward, Sup.  
 Flintville Circuit, William H. Anthony.  
 Rich Valley Circuit, Benjamin J. Gaston.  
 Palmetto Mission, Thomas L. Darnell.  
 Petersburg Circuit, F. F. Fagan.

## COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

*James D. Barbee, P. E.*

Columbia Station, James M. Wright; John B. Hamilton, Sup.  
 Nebo and Williamsport Station, J. C. Putman.  
 Mt. Pleasant Circuit, S. P. Whitten.  
 Culleoka and Hurricane Station, Peyton A. Sowell.  
 Marcella Falls Circuit, R. W. Seay; J. H. Strayhorn, Sup.  
 Linnville Circuit, W. Weakley; J. M. Locke, Sup.  
 Pleasant Valley Station, Thomas J. Duncan.  
 Pulaski Station, A. G. Dinwiddie; John S. Marks, Sup.  
 Trinity Circuit, A. M. Ezell.  
 Prospect Circuit, George S. Byrom.  
 Elkton Station, Rufus E. Travis.  
 Richland Circuit, S. M. Cherry.  
 Mt. Pisgah Circuit, John A. McFerrin; J. B. Anderson, Sup.  
 Giles Circuit, Robert M. Haggard.  
 Martin College, R. H. Rivers, President.

## SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

*J. J. Comer, P. E.*

Savannah Station, Henry S. McBride.  
 Savannah Circuit, Moses J. Mabry.  
 Lawrenceburg Station and Factory Mission, M. A. Erwin.  
 Wayland Springs Circuit, George W. Coleman.  
 Hampshire Circuit, Joseph B. Erwin.  
 Laurel Hill Station, H. B. Reams.  
 Ashland Circuit, John R. Reagin.  
 Linden Circuit, John W. Rooker.  
 Clifton Circuit, John M. Jordan.  
 Henryville Circuit, William P. Warren.  
 Lowryville Circuit, William K. Sebastian.  
 Oakland Mission, W. N. Moore; H. L. Booth, Sup.

## FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

*John F. Hughes, P. E.*

Franklin Station, William Burr.  
 Harpeth Station, William H. Wilkes.  
 Bethlehem Station, William P. Hickman; John O. Blanton, Sup.  
 Cave Spring Circuit, Allen Tribble.

Douglass Circuit, W. G. Hensley, Benjamin F. Stone.  
 Smith Springs Circuit, E. A. Carsey.  
 College Grove Circuit, O. G. Halliburton.  
 Chapel Hill Circuit, T. B. Fisher.  
 Spring Hill Circuit, Jesse G. Rice.  
 Bethesda Circuit, R. L. Fagan.  
 Spring Hill Station, William M. Doyle.  
 Brentwood Station, Andrew A. Allison.

## CENTERVILLE DISTRICT.

*Robert R. Jones, P. E.*

Centerville Circuit, Eph. W. White.  
 Santa Fe Circuit, William D. Cherry.  
 Pinewood Circuit, Henry S. Ledbetter.  
 Yellow Creek Circuit, William T. Nesbitt.  
 Erin and Cumberland City, Thomas H. Woodward.  
 Dover Circuit, Wallace T. Rowland.  
 Standing Rock Circuit, John H. Reynolds.  
 White Oak Circuit, to be supplied (by C. H. Yates).  
 Ebenezer and Liberty Circuit, D. H. Merryman.  
 Waverly Circuit, William T. Dye.  
 Bon Aqua Springs Mission, J. H. Richardson.  
 Beaver Dam Springs Circuit, S. H. Andrews.  
 Dickson Circuit, J. G. Hinson; B. F. Jackson, Sup.

## CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

*Wellborn Mooney, P. E.*

Clarksville Station, Robert K. Brown; John W. Hanner, Sup.  
 Providence and Bethel Station, John W. Hanner, jr.  
 Cedar Hill Circuit, William A. Turner; S. M. Griffin, Sup.  
 Asbury Circuit, A. T. Goodloe; George W. Brown, Sup.  
 Port Royal and Salem Station, Robert J. Craig; A. B. Coke, Sup.  
 Blooming Grove Circuit, Robert P. Gannaway.  
 Montgomery Circuit, Luther G. Hensley.  
 Saline Circuit, Thomas S. Cullom.  
 Palmyra Circuit, Enoch L. Jones.  
 Antioch Circuit, Jeremiah W. Culloni.  
 Cheatham Circuit, George W. Johnson.  
 Ashland City Station, W. A. Leath.  
 Red River Circuit, Garrett W. Martin.  
 Springfield Station, B. F. Haynes; S. D. Ogburn, Sup.  
 Clarksville Female Academy, J. R. Plummer, President.

John Sherrill transferred to the North Texas Conference.

John T. Duncan transferred to the Florida Conference.

William Henry Klyce transferred to the Columbia Conference.

John N. Handlin transferred to the Arkansas Conference.

Andrew J. Lawless transferred to the Western Conference.

## TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GALVESTON, TEXAS, December 19-23, 1877.

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; H. V. PHILPOTT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. Joseph S. Murray, Thomas F. Dimmitt. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? None.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? O. T. Hotchkiss, S. H. Williams, Joseph Norwood. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? C. H. Brooks, P. C. Reese, Weems Wooten. 3.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? A. E. Goodwyn, from the Louisiana Conference; J. H. Chambliss, from the Tennessee Conference; O. Fisher, from the North-west Texas Conference; Joseph Norwood, from the West Texas Conference. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? G. H. Phair, C. Chanquist. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Oscar T. Hotchkiss, Samuel H. Williams, Joseph Norwood. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? O. T. Hotchkiss, Samuel H. Williams, J. Norwood. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? P. D. L. Hilliard, J. L. Murray. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? J. L. Murray. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Daniel Morgan, Samuel H. Brown. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? D. Morgan, S. H. Brown. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Peter E. Nicholson. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? P. E. Nicholson. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? A. G. Beaumont, T. B. Buckingham, J. S. Clower, J. C. Huckabee. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? C. J. Lane, J. Matthews, B. T. Kavanaugh, S. J. Graves, G. D. Parker, Wesley Smith, J. M. Whipple. 7.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. G. Johnson, W. C. Lewis, A. B. F. Kerr, T. W. Blake, J. H. Davidson, A. Henkle, J. M. Turner, O. Fisher, N. A. Craven. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

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## Galveston District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
St. John's.....	309		2
St. James.....	155		
Bay Mission.....	168	2	1
Shearn Church.....	260		4
Washington Street.....	65		
Columbia.....	75		1
Brazoria.....	26		
Velasco.....	129		
Hockley.....	132		2
Harrisburg.....	49		
	1368	2	10

## Austin District.

Austin Station.....	480		4
Swede Mission.....	140		
Austin Circuit.....	305		2
Elgin Circuit.....	159		1
Bastrop.....	77		1
Live Oak.....	83		
Giddings.....	180		3
Cedar Creek.....	230		2
Winchester.....	135		2
Caldwell.....	206		3
Birch Creek Mission.....	150		3
	2073		21

## Chappell Hill District.

Chappell Hill.....	183		1
Brenham.....	130		
Independence.....	84		2
Travis.....	247		4
Burton.....	137		2
Hempstead.....	60		4
Bryan Station.....	184		1
Bryan Circuit.....	300		3
	1317		17

## Huntsville District.

Huntsville.....	121		
Dodd Mission.....	80		
Willis.....	201		1
Plantersville.....	153		2
Navasota.....	106		
Anderson.....	252		
Prairie Plains.....	160		2
Zion.....	259		2
Madisonville.....	254		2
Cold Springs.....	172		1
	1768		10

## Columbus District.

Columbus.....	230		3
Oco.....	290		1
Navidad.....	83		
Alleyton.....	23		
San Felipe.....	177		
Richmond.....	90		
Matagorda.....	118		2
La Grange.....	73		1
	994		7

## Recapitulation.

Galveston District.....	1368	2	10
Austin ".....	2073		21
Chappell Hill ".....	1317		17
Huntsville ".....	1768		10
Columbus ".....	994		7
Total this year.....	7520	2	65
Total last year.....	7373		71
Increase.....	147	2	
Decrease.....			6

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 474.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 502.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 62.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 497.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 3,638.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1,600.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,080.85. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$644.80; Domestic Missions, \$1,200.50. Total, \$1,845.30.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Chappell Hill, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### GALVESTON DISTRICT.

*B. D. Dashiell, P. E.*

St. John's, A. E. Goodwyn.

St. James, to be supplied.

Bay Mission, to be supplied (by P. E. Nicholson).

Shearn Church, R. T. Nabors; B. T. Kavanaugh, Sup.

Washington Street Mission, P. P. Reese.

Harrisburg and Clear Creek Mission, P. B. Safold.

Hockley, A. W. Smith.

*Texas Christian Advocate*, I. G. John, Editor.

#### AUSTIN DISTRICT.

*J. W. Whipple, P. E.*

Austin Station, William Shapard.

Swede Mission, Carl Chanquist.

Austin Circuit, Weems Wooten.

Live Oak Mission, J. L. Murray.

Cedar Creek, Thomas F. Dimmitt.

Bastrop, F. L. Allen.

Winchester, A. L. P. Green.

Elgin, Daniel Morgan.

La Grange, F. B. Rogers.

South-western University, F. A. Mood, Regent.

#### CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT.

*R. Alexander, P. E.*

Chappell Hill, Thomas W. Rogers; J. Matthews, Sup.

Travis, R. F. Beasley.

Brenham, E. S. Smith.

Hempstead Mission, P. C. Archer.

Bryan, H. V. Philpott.

Bryan Circuit, to be supplied (by J. Mickell).

Independence and Burton, J. L. Lemons.

Caldwell, W. G. Nelms.

Elbee Mission, J. W. Kelly.

Giddings, M. H. Porter.

Lexington, J. Sealy, supply.

Soule University, John C. Miller, President.

Chappell Hill Female College, E. D. Pitts, President.

#### HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

*S. C. Littlepage, P. E.*

Huntsville, J. E. Meredith.

Dodge Mission, to be supplied (by E. A. Stocking).

Willis and Montgomery, G. S. Sandle.

Cold Springs, I. Z. T. Morris.

Prairie Plains, C. L. Farrington.

Madisonville, C. H. Brooks.

Madisonville Circuit, George H. Phair.

Zion, Thomas Whitworth.

Anderson, J. M. Pugh.

Navasota and Millikin, P. W. Archer.

Courtney and Plantersville, James M. Wesson.

F. T. Mitchell, President and Agent of Andrew Female College, and Agent for Mitchell College.

#### COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

*R. W. Kennon, P. E.*

Columbus, F. A. McShane; Wesley Smith, Sup.

Weimar, J. T. Williamson.

Flatonia, to be supplied (by W. H. Copper); C. G. Lane, Sup.

Eagle Lake Mission, S. H. Williams.

San Felipe, J. H. Chambliss; G. D. Parker, Sup.

Richmond, O. T. Hotchkiss.

San Bernard, Samuel H. Brown.

Columbia and Brazoria, U. C. Spencer.

Velasco, H. H. Brooks.

Matagorda, W. M. Shockley.

Thomas R. Curtis transferred to the Los Angeles Conference.

Joseph Norwood transferred to the West Texas Conference.

## VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LYNCHBURG, VA., November 14-20, 1877.

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; PAUL WHITEHEAD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Abram B. Warwick, Robert B. Blankenship, Edward G. Chandler, John O. Moss, Andrew J. Bradshaw, William H. Riddick, Thomas McN. Simpson, John W. S. Robins, Thomas P. Duke, William T. Williams, George W. Wray, Richard B. Scott. 12.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Richard M. Chandler, B. F. Lipscomb, Joseph T. Mastin, John M. Burton, N. B. Foushee, R. H. Younger, W. H. Edwards, W. O. Waggener, J. E. Barrow, John C. Rosser, S. H. Johnson, Wm. E. Evans, C. E. Wren, Junius B. Deberry. 14.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Samuel A. Steel, Lewis B. Betty, J. E. Deshazo, William W. Lear, Paul Bradley, William W. Royall. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Thomas Digges, James L. Fisher. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Franklin C. Woodward, William H. Atwill, J. H. Dalby, Charles D. Crawley, B. S. Herring, W. J. Twilley, Joseph W. Shackford, James H. Maynard. 8.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Lewis B. Betty, J. E. Deshazo, William W. Lear, Paul Bradley. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Lewis B. Betty, J. E. Deshazo, William W. Lear, Paul Bradley. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? William A. Tompkins, Walter A. Gee, Thomas McN. Simpson. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? William A. Tompkins, Walter A. Gee, Thomas McN. Simpson. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? John H. Kabler, Henry C. Paulett, John H. Patterson, Charles H. Green, Herbert M. Hope, John T. Moore. 6.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? John H. Kabler, Henry C. Paulett, John H. Patterson, Charles H. Green, Herbert M. Hope, John T. Moore. 6.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? John E. Jackson, Alpheus L. Edwards, John A. Jefferson. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? A. L. Edwards, J. A. Jefferson. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? William H. Camper, Thomas H. Early, James A. Riddick, William J. Norfleet, Joseph E. Potts, Lloyd Moore, Joseph W. Shackford, Thomas Digges, Joseph S. R. Clarke. 9.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Benjamin T. Ames, R. A. Gregory, Robert Michaels, William A. Robinson, Benjamin M. Williams, William Carter, James McAden, S. T. Moorman, Jacob Shough, Hartwell H. Gary, John C. Garlick, John McClelland, George W. Nolley, Walter C. Taylor, James L. Fisher, John B. Laurens, Fielding A. Davis. 17.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Alexander Doniphan, David F. Hodges, James A. Duncan. 3.

ALEXANDER DONIPHAN was born in Fredericksburg, Va., July, 1820. In the spring of 1840 he was born again in the town of Lynchburg, Va., during a protracted meeting which was conducted in the Methodist Protestant Church at that place. It was six months after his conversion that he determined, under the moving of the Holy Spirit, to devote himself to the work of the Christian ministry. With this purpose in view, he spent two years at a classical and theological school in Maryland, under the management of the Rev. Francis Watters, D.D. In the spring of 1843, having left school, and being licensed to preach, he was employed by the President of the Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and appointed to Hampton and Fox Hill Circuit. On this work he made proof of his ministry, giving evidence of a divine call. Though he spent but one year on this circuit, his name was a household word, and he never lost his hold on the affections of that people. In 1843 he was admitted into the traveling connection of the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and appointed to the Smithfield Circuit. On this work he spent two years of most successful effort. He was abundant in labors and excessive in zeal. His youthful ardor, by the grace of God, consecrated his time and talents fully to his calling, and he spared not himself day nor night in his efforts to do good; and his labors on this field were crowned with great results. There were gracious revivals all over the circuit, and many were added to the Church, among them some of the most prominent citizens of Isle of Wight and Nansemond counties. The fruits of his labors under God remain to this present time in that section, and the affections of that people for him failed not in all the following years. His fiery zeal consumed his physical strength, so that ere the Conference of 1845 failing health necessitated an abatement of his labors. At the Conference of 1845 he was appointed to Norfolk, and here, in the spring of 1846, his health gave way, and he was forced to retire for a time from active

service. After this time it was never thought advisable for him to take work in tide-water Virginia. Therefore his labors were confined for several years to the following charges: Lynchburg Station, Campbell Circuit, and Bedford Circuit; and he was always successful as a preacher and pastor. Much of his time was spent in traveling through the Southern States in the interests of certain educational institutions for which he was an agent, and in which department of service he evidenced an aptitude that kept his talents in requisition until the late war in the States came on. He then settled in Abingdon, Va., and engaged in mercantile pursuits; and it was during this time that he transferred his membership from the Methodist Protestant Church to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Shortly after this transfer of Church-membership he again entered the field as an itinerant preacher, in connection with the Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; and after probably four years of active service, failing health caused him again to cease the regular work until his connection with this Conference, in the bounds of which he was filling out his third year when death met him on the Boydton Circuit, of which he had charge, and suddenly removed him, as we believe, from labor to rest. He had a good heart, and was blessed with God-given talents for the work of the ministry. He was possessed of an ardent temperament and a moderately strong body. Dyspepsia was his chronic complaint, and greatly discomfited him; yet he toiled on in the face of these hindrances until called at once to resign his life and work. The deceased belonged to that class of ministers who underrate their gifts and grace. He was afraid of ministerial responsibility, and preferred humble positions in the vineyard of the Lord, though qualified for higher places. He possessed to an unusual degree three qualifications for the work of a Methodist preacher—he was a sweet singer, he was powerful in prayer, and he was gifted in exhortation; and with all this he was a good preacher. Our brother was twice married, but at the time of his death was a widower. He leaves four children, all of whom are educated and provided for. On the 22d of February, 1877, Alexander Doniphan died while sitting in his chair. He was on the eve of starting to visit certain members of his charge, but concluded it would be better to remain at home and rest, as he did not feel well enough to ride; and while a bed was being prepared for him to lie down, he suddenly and quietly passed from earthly associations, aged about fifty-seven years, and, as we believe, prepared to meet his end. How perfectly he realized the desire expressed so often by the founder of Methodism:

O that without one ling'ring groan  
I may the welcome word receive;  
My body with my charge lay down,  
And cease at once to work and live!

DAVID F. HODGES was born in the county of Franklin, Virginia, on the 28th of November, 1837; and died at the parsonage in Whit-

mell, Pittsylvania county, on the 2d of May, 1877. He was the son of Solomon and Sarah Hodges, with whom he lived until some time after his conversion, which took place in the summer of 1855, under the ministry of the Rev. James H. Jefferson. We know but little of his early life. Suffice it to say that his advantages for acquiring an education were poor: his parents were in such humble circumstances that he was compelled to rely upon such instruction as they could spare him time to receive in a common country school. Soon after his conversion he felt that he was called to preach the gospel, and he immediately set about preparing himself for the work. He had many difficulties to contend with. The war came on, and he enlisted as a soldier; but his call was never forgotten nor his labors for a moment abated, so that by November, 1867, he made application, and was received on trial into the traveling connection of the Virginia Conference. He not only acquired a good English education, but obtained no mean knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages. Soon after his admission into Conference he was married to Miss Amanda A. Gaulding, of Charlotte county, Va., by whom he had three children, the eldest eight years and the youngest nineteen months old at the time of his death. His first appointment was to Dan River Mission one year; his second, Henry Circuit, two years; his third, Franklin Circuit, four years; his fourth and last, Pittsylvania Circuit, two years and five months of the third. He was wonderfully successful at all of these appointments. He won souls to Jesus wherever he went; and though a minister but little over ten years, his conversions might be numbered by scores and hundreds. No man had more influence over his congregations than Brother Hodges. His preaching was not brilliant, but there was a force and power in it that convinced every one that God was in the man. His life was as pure as his preaching. It was "a living epistle, known and read of all men." Not a stain rests upon his memory. No man that knew David F. Hodges fails to honor his piety. He felt especial interest in the Sunday-school work, and in this department he was strikingly successful, as his Conference reports will abundantly show. In doctrines he was particularly well-informed. He was a student all his life, and could give to every man "an answer for the hope within him." On one occasion he debated for nearly a week with one of the most prominent and learned ministers of another denomination, and all who heard him will testify how well he performed his part—how ably he sustained the doctrines of our Church. He was no bigot, but was devoted to his Church. He loved and honored her doctrines, and every effort of his noble life was exerted for the advancement of her cause. The principle that influenced Brother Hodges entered into every action and motive of his life. He was the same bold, conscientious man everywhere; he consulted no law of loss or profit; he humored no selfish or ambitious pride; he never paused to ask but one question—"Is it right?"

He was possessed of great energy and firmness of character. Rarely did he undertake any thing which he did not accomplish. One who did not know him well might have thought him self-willed, but such was not his disposition, and what seemed like pertinacity in him was but the offspring of a conscientious sense of duty. He was strong and robust. Rarely had he ever been unwell until a few months before his death, when he was attacked with inflammation of the stomach, from which he suffered much, until on the 2d of May he triumphantly passed into the upper fold. He was tender and affectionate in his family, and his cheerful disposition made his home a place of happiness. There were no episodes of his life that we would mark especially, but there was a sweet simplicity about it that rendered it socially, morally, and religiously sublime. No memoir can ever do it justice. There was a beauty in it that, as far transcends the eloquence of description as nature's own paintings surpass the highest imitations of art. His last hours were indeed the sunset of his day. Calm, conscious, and happy, he passed away amid a thousand beams of brightness that lingered o'er his pathway and gave a lovelier sweetness to the life he was closing. His example still lives, and the stream of his influence will ripple on in the valley of many human hearts, fertilizing and enriching them for the Master's use.

JAMES ARMSTRONG DUNCAN was born in Norfolk, Va., April 14, 1830. He was dedicated to God from his birth, and trained in piety by his father, the venerable David Duncan, who has been prominent through two generations in the education of the youth of the Southern States, and who accepted the chair of Ancient Languages in Randolph-Macon College while James was a child; and by his mother, a woman of saintly character, who preceded her son by a few years to the heavenly land. In his boyhood he was a universal favorite, and displayed the gifts of mind and genial spirit and grace of manner which became so conspicuous in his riper years. We may mention his overflowing humor and gayety, tempered with a kind and generous nature, and a wonderful power of mimicry, which furnished unbounded amusement to his comrades, and indeed to persons of mature age, but was never used to wound in feeling or reputation. In 1847, during one of those gracious revivals with which our college has been signally blessed year after year, he sought and found peace in Jesus. In one of his latest and most effective sermons he described with deep feeling his own conversion, and affirmed that the vow of consecration then made had been the controlling principle of his ministry and the motive of those labors which his brethren sometimes thought excessive. He was licensed to preach probably the next year. The people of Mecklenburg still speak of his first sermons, in which they saw the prophecy of his future greatness. Having graduated in June, 1849, he was immediately placed in charge of a soci-

ety in Alexandria which had just organized in connection with the M. E. Church, South. From that hour his popularity and success as a preacher and pastor began, and they steadily waxed fuller and more lustrous until at his death was quenched a star than which none shone with a purer and more brilliant radiance in the whole firmament of Methodism. A great revival attended his labors during the few months before the session of our Conference, and the prosperity of the Church was secured. He was kept on our northern border for nine years—in Fairfax, Leesburg, Alexandria, and Washington—everywhere beloved with enthusiasm, everywhere successful in his ministry. Then followed nine years of faithful labor in the city of Richmond. In 1857 he was sent to Trinity, one of our oldest and most important stations. There had come a crisis in the history of that church. Its prosperity was already impaired and seriously threatened by the unfortunate location of the house of worship. The young pastor soon crowded the building with an eager congregation. The eloquence of his discourses and the charm of his social manners were a theme of general comment through the city. Two series of sermons to young men and women proved peculiarly attractive, and resulted in extensive and lasting benefit. He took front rank among the pulpit orators of the land. All denominations flocked to hear him, and delighted in his company and friendship. These honors he wore with modest dignity, and consecrated with godly simplicity to the service of the Master. A little band from Trinity determined, under his leadership, to build a handsome and commodious church on Broad Street near the Capitol Square. In 1859 he was appointed to this new charge, and preached in a rented hall until the church was completed. It was dedicated in March, 1861, and with the exception of two years he continued in pastoral charge until the Conference of 1866. All this time his influence widened and deepened. He was a power in that city. When it became the capital of the Confederate States, and was crowded with representatives from all parts of the South, his faithful, spiritual, and eloquent preaching entranced, edified, encouraged, and impressed with saving efficacy an untold multitude, whose number eternity must reveal. No man in our day has accomplished more for Methodism or for the cause of Christ in the capital of Virginia than James A. Duncan. In addition to his pastorate, he edited the *Richmond Christian Advocate* from the autumn of 1860 to the fall of 1866. With characteristic generosity, he did this work without money and price—a free-will offering to the Church—excepting the two years in which he devoted his whole time to the paper. The readiness and versatility of his talents were admirably shown in this office; for, with many other claims upon his time, he wrote not only his editorials but much of the most popular and enjoyable correspondence with which the *Advocate* was enriched during those years. Great curiosity was aroused to find out the anonymous author of

a series of letters published in the paper; but few, if any, suspected that they came from the fertile brain of the editor. Two years he was pastor of the Washington Street Church in Petersburg. Such men as D'Arcy Paul loved to speak of the rich spiritual feasts on which he fed them from the pulpit, and of the no less precious influence of his pastoral visits. In that city he suffered from a severe spell of nervous fever, his first illness since childhood. This brings us to a third era of nine years in his eventful life. After the war Randolph-Macon College reopened and feebly struggled for life. Dr. Duncan was among the strongest advocates of its transfer from Boydton to Ashland. The Board of Trustees resolved on this critical movement in the summer of 1868. The faculty resigned, and an election was held to fill the vacant places. Dr. Duncan was unanimously chosen President. He signified promptly a disposition to accept the responsible post, but demanded a few days in which to carry the question in private prayer to the God whom he served and to whom he belonged. Repeatedly and emphatically he declared the singleness of purpose with which he entered on this office, and that he would not remain one day in it if it were not for the conviction that he was thereby serving most efficiently the Church of Christ. No one who knew the man doubted his sincerity and simplicity of aim. He never sought self. He was indifferent to wealth in a degree which some even censured as extreme. He served not ambition. The esteem and approval of good men he must have prized; but never, so far as we know, did he exhibit any undue concern about such things. He belonged to Christ and to the Church for Christ's sake. He went in the courage of faith and the spirit of consecration to the college, and devoted himself to the duties in the chair of Moral Philosophy and in the presidency. The halls were filled with a larger number of students than had ever sought its advantages in its palmy days before the war. He governed by his personal influence, by the love and confidence with which he inspired the young men; and diligence and good behavior were the rule, with rare exceptions. The reputation of the institution for a high grade of scholarship and thoroughness of culture was inferior to that of no college in the land. Young preachers, often numbering more than forty in a single session, sat under his special lectures in theology, and were molded by his example and his teaching. With the authority of a prophet, with the gentleness of a father, he preached to the students week after week the word of life, and saw many of them accept with glad hearts the yoke and burden of Christ. In private they revealed to him all that was in their hearts, and sought his sympathy and counsel. In public, whatever the occasion on which he spoke, they hung breathless on his lips, and received what he said as if from an angel of God. Those who have attended the commencements can bear witness to the outgushing of love, the wise and noble utterances, the manly frankness and boldness, and the ten-

derness almost motherly with which he bid those young men farewell in unstudied words of genuine eloquence; and the beaming faces, the streaming eyes, and the thunders of applause with which they responded. Nor were these his only labors. Often during the session he hurried off to preach in city or in country at the call of the churches of the Virginia and Baltimore Conferences, or in order to raise money for the college. The summer vacation was no rest to him, but his busiest period. Incessantly he traveled through the two Conferences, speaking on Christian education, and speaking at District Conferences, at protracted and camp meetings. He was in labor more abundant, not sparing himself; never reluctant to help in any good work. Everywhere he was sought, everywhere he was welcome. Thousands ascribe to him, under God, their first impulse to serve Christ, their revival from a lukewarm and languishing state, or their fuller consecration and seeking of a higher spiritual life. We may safely affirm that no man of his own generation has so powerfully impressed the religious character of an equal number within the bounds of these two Conferences as James A. Duncan. He was elected to the General Conferences of 1860, 1870, and 1874. That of 1870 he did not attend, his duties at the college not allowing his absence. He lacked only a few votes of being chosen bishop at that session, several delegates of this body who held him in high admiration and thought him in every way worthy of the honor withholding their votes because they believed him essential to Randolph-Macon College. From that time the mind of the whole Church turned to him as the fittest person to be elected to the episcopacy. In 1876 he attended the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church as one of the three fraternal messengers from our General Conference, and his address on that occasion was marked by its catholic spirit, fervent love for Christ, and grand and thrilling eloquence. In the summer of 1874, exhausted by the ceaseless toil of travel and preaching, and exposed to a malarial atmosphere, he was seized with fever, which took a typhoid phase, and he lay for weeks at the point of death. For one year he was scarcely fit for any work, and though he afterward rallied and resumed his course of untiring labors, the seeds of disease lurked in his system, and often developed in severe spells of sickness. Yet he worked on, cheerful, energetic, consumed with zeal. The past summer he spoke and preached with an ardor, power, and success equal to his happiest efforts in the years of his vigorous health. Sunday, September 9th, he was in Baltimore to preach at the reopening of Trinity; and this he did in the forenoon, despite intense physical pain. On his return to Ashland it was found that his jaw-bone was decayed and poison diffused throughout his frame. Erysipelas attacked his face. His sufferings were great, but borne with patience and sweetness. He sat up, however, a part of each day, and seemed not to suspect that his end drew near. On Monday morning, the 24th, he fell

asleep in Jesus. O the surprise, the shock, the grief of heart, the sense of loss, the feeling of desolation which that news produced! Crowds attended his funeral at the Broad Street Church, which by a marble tablet acknowledges him its founder, and Bishop Doggett pronounced his eulogy. Memorial-services were held in Richmond, Petersburg, and Baltimore. Resolutions of highest praise were passed by Quarterly Conferences and by the faculties of colleges and universities. The secular and religious press honored his memory with heart-felt tributes. But all these honors fall far short of expressing the reverence and love with which he is cherished in thousands of hearts and homes. We yield to our sorrow of personal bereavement, and then chide ourselves for the selfishness when we ought to be grieving over the loss to the Church. We think with sadness and almost with despondency of the bereavement of our college and Conference and Church, and tears fill our eyes and a sword pierces our heart at the unbidden suggestion of the void in our own life which the death of this dear, this noble friend and brother has made. We have said little of his private life. He was early married to Miss Twitty, of North Carolina, who for many years proved a companion and helpmeet worthy of such a man, and passed away in 1870. In 1873 he married Miss Wade, daughter of a minister of the Baltimore Conference, who ministered to him and comforted him through the last years of comparative weakness and pain, and now mourns, yet in resignation and trust, his death. He leaves four children of the first and one of the second marriage. The widow and children have the deepest sympathies and fervent prayers of this Conference. A few more words we must say about this loved brother. He was a natural orator. Perhaps this remark should be changed, not to abate its force, but to enlarge its application: He was a born talker, equally gifted in conversation and in public discourse. He had every physical advantage—grace of attitude and gesture, a voice which everybody likened in sweetness, richness, and compass to the organ, and, we must add, to the organ when struck by a master musician, for he had his voice under perfect command, and moderated it to convey the fullest variety of pure and worthy sentiment; a countenance on which one loved to gaze, handsome in repose, lovely when lit up by the noble thoughts and feelings of his great soul. He had every intellectual and moral advantage; a ready flow of happy diction, which seemed perfectly spontaneous, and yet exactly suited the thought; a playful humor and, when needed, keenness of wit and satire which added zest to his serious speech, but detracted not from its weight; a quick insight into the heart of a subject, judgment remarkably sound, the logical spirit without slavery to logical forms, and an imagination which could sport like a butterfly amid flowers or soar like an eagle beyond the clouds; sensibility delicate, deep, strong; acute sympathy with his fellow-man; a response in his feelings to every thing true, pure, generous, and grand. Above all, he

was full of the Holy Ghost, and could say, "For the love of Christ constraineth me." His adaptation to all classes of hearers, to all circumstances, was marvelous. He could interest and edify the child, the unlettered, the cultivated, the scholar, with equal ease. Every variety of style came naturally to him, from a familiar, homely talk, through all gradations of argument, instruction, and pathos, to the impassioned, sublime, and overwhelming appeal. The earnestness and simplicity of his soul were ever manifest: that he preached not self, not philosophy, not human wisdom, not excellency of speech, but Christ and him crucified—not for fame, but to win souls. In his social and pastoral qualities he no less excelled. Others have equaled, none surpassed, him in diligence and fidelity; but who can compare in charm, in breadth and tenderness of sympathy, in aptness to guide and comfort, in power to draw forth trust and love? Placed in any parlor, at any table, among the rich or poor, he was the center of attraction—every eye fixed on him, every ear attending his voice. Let him sit by the bed of any invalid, though a stranger before that hour, and soon he would soothe and cheer, and the heart would open to his words as though he had been a life-long friend. The young and the old, men and women, the rude and the cultivated, felt free to confide to him their troubles, and ask his sympathy and aid. Yet, in the narrower circle of long-trying friendship and of home, never did there beat a truer, more constant, more generous heart. So unselfish, so frank, so forbearing, so trustful, so magnanimous; never giving up a friend, though he may have strayed far and long and fallen low; never slow in responding to any call for help. But we must close this sketch. He was our favorite, our ornament—we might almost say our idol. But we glorify God in him. He has been taken away in his prime, at the height of his usefulness, when we were leaning on his counsel and strength, when we were rejoicing in the prospect of many years of his company and service. But we thank God for his example, his work, and his prayers. He rests from his labors, and his works do follow him.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

*Richmond District.*

	White Mem's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Richmond: Trinity.....	475	.....	1
Nicholson Station.....	90	.....	.....
Centenary.....	406	.....	1
Broad Street.....	324	.....	.....
German Mission.....	40	.....	.....
Park Place.....	179	.....	1
Oregon.....	237	.....	.....
Clay Street.....	478	.....	1
Union.....	425	.....	3
Manchester.....	369	.....	1

## Richmond District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Henrico .....	358	1	.....
Charles City .....	280	.....	1
New Kent .....	266	2	1
West Point .....	133	.....	.....
Matthews .....	887	1	1
Gloucester .....	901	1	.....
Williamsburg .....	55	.....	.....
Jamestown .....	106	.....	.....
	6009	5	11

## Charlottesville District.

Charlottesville .....	295	.....	.....
Albemarle .....	525	5	1
Louisa .....	575	5	2
Scottsville .....	452	2	3
Fluvanna .....	558	45	3
Batesville .....	446	8	.....
Gordonsville .....	68	.....	.....
Orange Circuit .....	162	.....	.....
Salem Mission .....	64	.....	.....
Culpepper Station .....	82	.....	.....
Culpepper Circuit .....	240	.....	.....
Rappahannock Circuit .....	330	5	1
Woodville .....	150	.....	1
Madison .....	397	4	1
Piedmont .....	300	.....	1
Greene .....	350	1	1
Barboursville .....	58	.....	.....
	5032	75	14

## Lynchburg District.

Lynchburg: Centenary .....	405	.....	.....
Madison and Daniel's Hill .....	147	.....	.....
Court Street .....	400	.....	1
Amherst .....	250	.....	1
West Amherst .....	331	.....	1
Mt. Pleasant .....	331	.....	2
Bedford .....	764	.....	2
Jackson .....	225	.....	1
South Bedford .....	575	1	1
Leesville .....	123	.....	.....
Bedford Springs .....	300	2	.....
Liberty .....	120	.....	.....
Nelson .....	286	.....	1
Appomattox .....	467	3	3
Campbell .....	547	.....	1
South Campbell .....	101	.....	1
Buckingham .....	476	.....	1
Prospect .....	418	.....	2
	6275	6	18

## Danville District.

Danville: Main Street .....	215	.....	2
Lynn Street .....	225	.....	.....
Charlotte .....	226	.....	2
West Charlotte .....	198	2	1
South of Dan .....	487	1	2
Chatham .....	175	.....	.....
Pittsylvania .....	338	2	1
Franklin .....	345	1	1
East Franklin .....	320	2	2
Henry .....	352	.....	.....
Patrick .....	169	7	.....
Dan River .....	160	1	1
Halifax .....	427	.....	.....
Alleghany .....	166	.....	2
Bannister .....	380	4	4
	4183	20	18

## Farmville District.

Farmville .....	138	.....	.....
Prince Edward .....	217	3	1
Lunenburg .....	550	.....	1
Boydton .....	65	1	1
Clarksville .....	70	.....	.....
Boydton Circuit .....	253	3	.....
Mecklenburg .....	774	.....	2
Brunswick .....	506	.....	1
West Brunswick .....	416	.....	3
South Brunswick .....	547	.....	2

## Farmville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Nottoway .....	485	.....	2
Amelia .....	395	.....	3
Cumberland .....	286	1	1
Cartersville Circuit .....	181	1	.....
Dennisville Mission .....	32	.....	.....
Lunenburg Mission .....	80	.....	1
	4995	9	13

## Petersburg District.

Petersburg: Washington Street .....	529	.....	3
Blandford .....	57	.....	.....
Wesley Chapel .....	165	.....	3
Market Street .....	330	.....	1
High Street and Battersea .....	435	.....	1
Ettrick .....	172	.....	.....
Chesterfield .....	505	1	3
Chesterfield Mission .....	47	.....	.....
Dinwiddie .....	372	.....	.....
West Dinwiddie .....	225	.....	.....
Sussex .....	612	1	3
Hicksford .....	181	.....	.....
Prince George .....	375	1	.....
Surry .....	319	.....	1
Coalfield .....	217	.....	1
Clover Hill .....	215	.....	1
	4756	3	17

## Murfreesboro District.

Murfreesboro .....	112	.....	.....
Northampton .....	800	3	3
Meherrin .....	435	2	.....
Bertie .....	399	.....	3
Hertford and Edenton .....	747	2	2
Pasquotank .....	518	.....	1
Elizabeth City .....	188	.....	1
Suffolk .....	190	.....	.....
Gates .....	900	.....	3
Southampton .....	584	.....	2
North Southampton .....	334	1	1
Chuckatuck .....	200	.....	.....
Camden .....	439	.....	1
Dare .....	392	.....	4
	6238	8	21

## Norfolk District.

Norfolk: Cumberland Street .....	510	.....	3
Queen Street .....	80	.....	.....
Granby Street .....	421	.....	.....
Berkeley .....	92	.....	.....
Portsmouth: Monumental .....	417	.....	3
Central .....	295	.....	1
Second Street .....	132	.....	1
Norfolk Circuit .....	317	.....	.....
East Norfolk Circuit .....	272	.....	.....
South Norfolk Circuit .....	511	.....	3
Indian Ridge .....	460	.....	3
Princess Anne .....	960	.....	5
York .....	550	1	1
Hampton and Fox Hill .....	264	.....	1
Smithfield and Benn's .....	279	.....	1
Isle of Wight .....	250	.....	.....
	5810	1	22

## Randolph-Macon District.

Ashland .....	225	1	3
Spottsylvania .....	150	.....	1
Caroline .....	289	.....	1
Bowling Green .....	196	.....	.....
Middlesex .....	458	1	1
King and Queen .....	574	2	1
King William .....	278	3	1
Essex .....	151	.....	1
Hanover .....	328	.....	1
West Hanover .....	423	1	1
Goochland .....	297	.....	.....
West Goochland .....	116	.....	1
	3485	8	12

## Northern Neck District.

King George .....	300	1	.....
Montross .....	205	12	.....

## Northern Neck District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Westmoreland.....	444	.....	3
Richmond Circuit.....	348	4	.....
Heathsville.....	343	.....	5
Lancaster.....	325	.....	3
	1965	17	11

## Eastern Shore District.

Eastville and Belle Haven.....	390	.....	3
Pungoteague.....	512	.....	2
Onancock.....	443	.....	.....
Atlantic.....	329	.....	.....
South Atlantic.....	285	.....	1
Wicomico.....	214	.....	.....
Salisbury.....	82	.....	.....
Berlin.....	155	.....	3
Dorchester.....	300	.....	1
Dorchester Mission.....	300	3	2
Cambridge.....	194	.....	2
	3174	3	14

## Recapitulation.

Richmond District.....	6009	5	11
Charlottesville ".....	5032	75	14
Lynchburg ".....	6275	6	18
Danville ".....	4183	20	18
Farmville ".....	4995	9	18
Petersburg ".....	4756	3	17
Murfreesboro ".....	6238	8	21
Norfolk ".....	5810	1	22
Randolph-Macon ".....	3485	8	12
Northern Neck ".....	1965	17	11
Eastern Shore ".....	3114	3	14
Total this year.....	51,862	155	176
Total last year.....	50,850	189	189
Increase.....	1,012	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	34	13

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,329.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,116.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 612.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 6,187.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 35,177.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6,105.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$5,635. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$5,487.49; Domestic Missions, \$5,201.76. Total, \$10,689.25.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Petersburg, Va.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## RICHMOND DISTRICT.

Leroy M. Lee, P. E.

Richmond: Trinity, W. E. Judkins.

Nicholson Street, William H. Edwards.

Centenary, R. N. Sledd.

Broad Street, S. A. Steel.

German Chapel, to be supplied.

Park Place, John E. Edwards; Thos. Diggs, Sup.

Clay Street, Alex. G. Brown.

Union, Joseph A. Proctor.

Laurel Street, George M. Wright.

Manchester Station and Fifth Street, G. C. Vanderslice.

Henrico, D. M. Wallace.

Charles City, Lewis B. Betty.

New Kent, William P. Wright.

West New Kent, George W. Wray.

Williamsburg, Herbert T. Bacon.

Jamestown, James W. Connelly.

Gloucester, George E. Booker, one to be supplied.

Matthews, Wesley C. Vaden.

West Matthews, William W. Royall.

Richmond Christian Advocate, J. J. Lafferty, Editor.

J. C. Granbery, Professor in Vanderbilt University.

## CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.

D. P. Wills, P. E.

Charlottesville, H. P. Mitchell.

Albemarle, F. M. Edwards.

Louisa, Joshua S. Hunter.

Scottsville, Thomas A. Ware.

Fluvanna, William E. Payne.

Batesville, Richard Ferguson.

Gordonsville and Orange, H. M. Hope.

Orange Circuit, Joseph T. Mastin; W. H. Camper, Sup.

Eley's Ford, to be supplied (by Richard Stevens).

Culpepper Station, James T. Lumpkin.

Culpepper Circuit, E. G. Chandler.

Rappahannock, John W. Hilldrup.

Woodville Mission, to be supplied (by George W. Bailey).

Madison, Oscar Littleton.

Robinson River Mission, to be supplied (by James F. Finnell).

Greene, Robert W. Watts.

Stony Point Mission, to be supplied (by W. G. Clarke).

## LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.

J. D. Blackwell, P. E.

Lynchburg: Centenary, H. C. Cheatham.

Court Street, A. C. Bledsoe; Thomas H. Early, Sup.

Madison and Daniel's Hill, John Bayley.

Amherst, John T. Moore.

West Amherst, Wilbur F. Robins.

Mt. Pleasant, John H. Kabler.

Bedford, William F. Bain, A. B. Warwick.

South Bedford, Milton A. Bishop, A. J. Bradshaw.

Jackson, William A. Laughon.

Bedford Springs, Charles E. Watts.

Liberty, John L. Clarke.

Nelson, James E. Gates.

Appomattox, Travis J. Taylor.

Campbell, Edgar H. Pritchett; Robert B. Blankenship.

South Campbell, Nathan B. Foushee.

Buckingham, John W. Howard.

Prospect, George H. Ray.

## DANVILLE DISTRICT.

*James M. Anderson, P. E.*

Danville: Main Street, P. A. Peterson.  
 Lynn Street and North Danville, J. W. Bledsoe.  
 Charlotte, W. B. Rowzie.  
 West Charlotte, E. A. Gibbs.  
 South of Dan, John D. Southall, one to be supplied.  
 Chatham, N. J. Pruden.  
 Pittsylvania, James E. McSparran.  
 North Pittsylvania, P. H. Fishburn.  
 Franklin, John W. Tucker.  
 West Franklin, Thomas P. Duke.  
 East Franklin, Robert H. Younger.  
 Henry, John W. Crider.  
 Patrick, John E. Deshazo.  
 South Patrick, to be supplied (by D. J. Traynham).  
 Halifax, Henry C. Bowles.

## FARMVILLE DISTRICT.

*E. M. Peterson, P. E.*

Farmville, James F. Twitty.  
 Prince Edward, James R. Waggener; J. S. R. Clarke, Sup.  
 Burkeville, Willie E. Waggener.  
 Lunenburg, James O. Moss.  
 Lunenburg Mission, Richard B. Scott.  
 Boydton, John B. Dey.  
 Boydton Circuit, John M. Burton.  
 Mecklenburg, Thomas H. Boggs.  
 Brunswick, John M. Saunders.  
 West Brunswick, Charles D. Crawley.  
 South Brunswick, William H. Atwill.  
 Nottoway, James C. Reed.  
 Amelia, James W. Blinco.  
 Dennisville Mission, to be supplied.  
 Cumberland Mission, Charles H. Boggs.  
 Cartersville, Thomas M. Beckham.  
 Farmville College, Paul Whitehead, President.

## PETERSBURG DISTRICT.

*E. P. Wilson, P. E.*

Petersburg: Washington Street, Joseph H. Riddick.  
 Blandford, James H. Maynard.  
 Wesley Chapel, P. F. August.  
 Market Street, J. Powell Garland.  
 High Street and West Street, Francis J. Boggs.  
 Ettrick, Werter H. Gregory.  
 Chesterfield, Alex. M. Hall.  
 Chesterfield Mission, to be supplied (by James Bailey).  
 Dinwiddie, Joseph Lear.  
 West Dinwiddie, Jacob H. Proctor.  
 Sussex, W. G. Lumpkin; J. C. Rosser, J. A. Riddick, Sup.  
 Hicksford, Lewis A. Guy.  
 Prince George, W. W. Lear.  
 Surry, James W. Compton.  
 Coalfield, James A. Hughes.  
 Clover Hill, John E. Barrow.

## MURFREESBORO DISTRICT.

*Benjamin F. Woodward, P. E.*

Murfreesboro, F. C. Woodward.  
 Northampton, John Q. Rhodes.  
 Meherrin, Benjamin F. Tennille.  
 Bertie, R. N. Crooks, S. H. Johnson.  
 Hertford and Edenton, Joshua L. Garrett, William H. Riddick.  
 Pasquotank, B. W. Daugherty.  
 Elizabeth City, William McGee.  
 Suffolk, James C. Martin.  
 Gates, Thomas H. Campbell, John O. Moss.  
 Southampton, John P. Woodward.  
 North Southampton, Thomas L. Williams.  
 Chuckatuck, Charles E. Hobday.  
 Camden, William P. Jordan.  
 Dare, to be supplied.  
 Wesleyan Female College, William G. Starr, President.

## NORFOLK DISTRICT.

*L. S. Reed, P. E.*

Norfolk: Cumberland Street, Wm. H. Christian.  
 Granby Street, Samuel S. Lambeth.  
 Queen Street, B. F. Lipscomb; W. J. Norfleet, Sup.  
 Berkeley, Thomas McN. Simpson.  
 Portsmouth: Monumental, William E. Edwards.  
 Central, R. A. Compton.  
 Second Street, John N. Jones.  
 Norfolk Circuit, E. M. Jordan, William T. Williams.  
 East Norfolk, R. M. Saunders.  
 South Norfolk, William E. Allen.  
 Princess Anne, J. J. Edwards.  
 Currituck, H. C. Paulett.  
 Hampton, James H. Crown.  
 Fox Hill, to be supplied.  
 York, B. C. Spiller.  
 Smithfield and Benn's, J. Carson Watson.  
 Isle of Wight, Thomas P. Wise.

## RANDOLPH-MACON DISTRICT.

*Leo Rosser, P. E.*

Ashland, E. N. S. Blogg; J. E. Potts, Sup.  
 Spottsylvania, R. M. Chandler.  
 Caroline, John G. Rowe.  
 Bowling Green, Thomas J. Bayton.  
 Middlesex, Major S. Colonna.  
 King and Queen, William E. Evans; J. W. Shackford, Sup.  
 King William, Paul Bradley.  
 Essex, William J. Twilly.  
 Hanover, William G. Williams.  
 West Hanover, Robert A. Armistead.  
 Goochland, Charles H. Green.  
 West Goochland, to be supplied (by R. H. Mullen).  
 Randolph-Macon College, W. W. Bennett, President.

## NORTHERN NECK DISTRICT.

*William A. Crocker, P. E.*

King George, D. G. C. Butts.  
 Montross, John W. White.

Westmoreland, Joseph H. Davis.  
Richmond Circuit, J. B. DeBerry  
Heathsville, James F. Brannin.  
Lancaster, Robert B. Beadles, one to be supplied.

EASTERN SHORE DISTRICT.

*Jacob Manning, P. E.*

Eastville, James L. Spencer; L. Moore, Sup.  
Bell Haven, John W. S. Robins.  
Pungoteague, C. C. Wertenbaker.  
Onancock, Joseph H. Amis.  
Conquest and Guilford, J. B. Merritt.

Atlantic, Alfred Wiles.  
Wicomico, James D. Lumsden.  
Salisbury, R. J. Moorman.  
Berlin, Benjamin S. Herring.  
Dorchester, Josiah D. Hank.  
Hoopersville, James H. Dalby.  
Dorchester Mission, to be supplied.  
Cambridge, John H. Patterson.

W. W. Spain transferred to the Western Virginia Conference.

Gottlieb Meyer transferred to the Baltimore Conference.

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WESTERN CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ATCHISON, KAN., *August 30–September 3, 1877.*

(The present Book Editor has been unable to find the Minutes of the Western Conference among the papers of his predecessor, Dr. Summers.)

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WESTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PARKERSBURG, W. VA., *September 19–25, 1877.*

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; T. S. WADE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. Samuel F. McClung, John H. Jackson, Washington W. Rew. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? T. R. Houghton, J. L. Smith, C. S. Murrill, F. P. McGehee, J. A. Black, A. R. Powers. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? M. W. Trippett. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? J. C. Vaught, A. S. Bowls, J. C. Todd, Q. A. Wheat, J. S. Lemon. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? James M. Stephenson, Henry T. Watts, from the Baltimore Conference; Edgar Orgain, from the White River Conference. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? W. C. Leach, H. T. Watts. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? J. C. Vaught, A. S. Bowls, J. S. Lemon, J. C. Todd. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are or-

daind deacons? J. C. Vaught, A. S. Bowls, J. S. Lemon, J. C. Todd. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? James L. Rollins, Jesse Bail, John W. Taylor, A. Q. Harmon. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Charles W. Cook, Edward M. Murrill, T. N. Wilson, C. W. Shearer, James W. Ramsey, John Mitchell, F. M. Yates. 7.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Charles W. Cook, Edward M. Murrill, T. N. Wilson, C. W. Shearer, James W. Ramsey, John Mitchell, F. M. Yates. 7.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? A. P. Sollers. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? F. M. Yates, F. B. Carroll, N. G. Robinson, Marion

Taylor, Burwell Spurlock, R. Bias, W. Kennedy, J. K. Hodges. 8.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. A. West, Walter Shearer. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of Thomas Cotton, who had withdrawn from the Church.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Parkersburg District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Parkersburg Station.....	227	.....	.....
Wesley Chapel .....	70	.....	2
Lubeck.....	201	.....	2
Spencer.....	379	.....	1
Ripley.....	140	.....	3
Ravenswood.....	336	1	1
New Martinsville.....	90	.....	2
Pleasant Ridge.....	300	.....	2
Grantsville.....	180	.....	3
Palestine.....	170	.....	1
Newark.....	194	.....	1
Mason Mission.....	55	.....	1
	2342	1	19

#### Charleston District.

Charleston Station.....	148	.....	2
Charleston Circuit.....	370	1	4
Cedar Grove.....	32	.....	1
Brownstown.....	180	.....	2
Fayetteville.....	240	.....	2
Fayette.....	102	6	.....
Sewell.....	154	.....	3
Sugar Grove.....	300	.....	1
Summersville.....	276	.....	.....
Webster Mission.....	134	.....	1
Newton.....	240	.....	1
Kanawha Salines and Coalsmouth ..	213	.....	2
Logan Mission.....	108	.....	2
	2497	7	22

#### Huntington District.

Huntington and Guyandotte.....	170	.....	1
Barboursville .....	191	.....	.....
Wayne.....	613	1	3
Round Bottom.....	200	.....	.....
Hurricane Ridge .....	400	1	5
Raymond City Mission.....	97	.....	.....
Mercer's Bottom .....	60	.....	.....
Point Pleasant .....	188	.....	1
	1919	2	10

#### Clarksburg District.

Clarksburg and West Milford.....	165	.....	.....
Glenville.....	261	.....	2
Braxton.....	352	.....	3
Jacksonville.....	292	.....	3
Philippi.....	274	.....	4
St. George.....	339	.....	4
Randolph Mission.....	264	.....	1
Marion.....	766	.....	2
Rivesville .....	444	1	.....
Greene.....	346	.....	1
New Interest Mission .....	41	.....	.....
	3544	1	20

#### Catlettsburg District.

Catlettsburg Station.....	192	.....	3
Ashland .....	200	.....	3
Louisa.....	81	.....	.....
Big Sandy .....	255	.....	6

#### Catlettsburg District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Paintsville .....	125	.....	8
Falls of Blaine .....	208	.....	5
Prestonsburg.....	400	.....	12
Piketon.....	208	1	7
Elliot Mission.....	37	.....	1
Old Town.....	272	.....	5
Newfoundland.....	480	.....	3
Greenup and Grayson.....	92	.....	.....
Mt. Zion and Liberty .....	225	2	4
Cannonsburg Circuit .....	146	2	3
	2921	5	60

#### Recapitulation.

Parkersburg District.....	2342	1	19
Charleston .....	2497	7	22
Huntington .....	1919	2	10
Clarksburg .....	3544	1	20
Catlettsburg .....	2921	5	60
Total this year.....	13,223	16	131
Total last year.....	13,372	20	117
Increase .....			14
Decrease .....	149	4	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 259.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 511.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 213.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,387.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 8,001.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$493.57. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$493.51; Domestic Missions, \$385.95. Total, \$879.46.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Catlettsburg, Ky.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

J. M. Lauck, P. E.

Parkersburg Station, Edgar Orgain.

Wesley Chapel Station, J. W. Lambert.

Lubeck, W. Downtain.

Spencer, W. W. Rew.

Ripley, F. P. McGehee.

Ravenswood, S. T. Mallory.

New Martinsville, J. H. Jackson; F. M. Yates, Sup.

Pleasant Ridge, J. Cook; M. Taylor, Sup.

Newark, W. Briscoe.

Grantsville, G. S. McCutcheon.

Mason Mission, E. Kendall.

#### CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

W. R. Chambers, P. E.

Charleston Station, C. C. Armstrong.

Charleston Circuit, B. S. Chambers.

Cedar Grove and Malden, J. C. Tinsley.  
 Coalsmouth and Brownstown, H. T. Watts.  
 Fayetteville, A. Given.  
 Fayette, Q. A. Wheat.  
 Sewell, J. S. Lemon; J. K. Hedges, Sup.  
 Sugar Grove, R. C. Wiseman.  
 Summerville, J. L. Smith.  
 Webster Mission, to be supplied (by F. Hoffman).  
 Newton, W. C. Leach.  
 Logan Mission, to be supplied (by H. C. Thompson).  
 Charleston Female College, J. S. Follansbee.

#### HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

*J. F. Medley, P. E.*

Huntington and Guyandotte, L. B. Madison.  
 Wayne, J. T. Johnson; B. Spurlock, Sup.  
 Barboursville, C. F. Crooks.  
 Hurricane Ridge, J. W. Ramsey; R. Bias, Sup.  
 Raymond City Mission, J. A. Black.  
 Point Pleasant, H. S. Williams, S. K. Vaught;  
 F. B. Carroll, Sup.  
 Sunday-school Agent, J. F. Medley.

#### CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

*J. H. Burns, P. E.*

Clarksburg and West Milford, T. S. Wade.  
 Glenville, E. R. Powers.

Braxton, T. R. Houghton.  
 Jacksonville, R. E. Walden.  
 Philippi, E. M. Murrill.  
 St. George, C. S. Murrill.  
 Randolph Mission, A. S. Bowls; W. Kennedy, Sup.  
 Marion, A. P. Sturm.  
 Riversville, F. Golden.  
 Greene, J. S. Pullin.

#### CATLETTSBURG DISTRICT.

*J. Martin, P. E.*

Ashland, J. O. A. Vaught.  
 Catlettsburg, G. W. Young.  
 Louisa, T. Cooper.  
 Big Sandy, S. Black, S. F. McClung.  
 Paintsville, J. H. Hagar.  
 Falls of Blaine, J. C. Todd.  
 Prestonburg, J. M. Stephenson.  
 Picketon, T. N. Wilson; N. G. Robinson, Sup.  
 Newfoundland, C. W. Shearer.  
 Old Town, C. Dean.  
 Grayson and Greenup, J. Mitchell.  
 Mt. Zion and Liberty, H. Moore.  
 White's Creek Mission, R. A. Cloughton.  
 St. Paul and Buffington, to be supplied (by J. Farmer).  
 Cannonsburg, C. W. Cook.  
 Millersburg Female College, J. C. Vaught, Agent.

### WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, November 21-26, 1877.

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; T. G. WOOLLS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. J. B. Dibrell, W. H. Killough, F. T. Barnes, L. M. Barnes, T. J. Thomasson, G. C. Stovall, Cruz Martinez, Crecencio Rodriguez. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? H. T. Hill, L. W. Harrison, T. S. Garrett, J. S. Woolls, Clemente Vivero, James Tafollo, Gumercindo Paz, Josue Acosta, Trinidad Arminandez. 9.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Luciana Garcia, Antonio Molino. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? I. Kingsbury, J. Casanova. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? D. M. Stovall, Joseph Norwood, William Monk. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? N. W. Keith, A. G. Nolen, Doroteo Garcia. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? I. Kingsbury, J. M. Casanova. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? I. Kingsbury. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? I. K. Waller, T. S. Garrett, T. R. Atkins. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? T. S. Garrett, T. R. Atkins. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? J. E. Vernor. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? John E. Vernor. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? W. C. Newton. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? H. A. Graves. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Jesse Hord, Thomas Meyers, R. M. Leaton. 3.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? A. B. Duval. 1.

A. B. DUVAL was born in Buckingham county, Virginia, November 6, 1799. He was reared by his grandfather, Samuel Duval, with whom he removed to Kentucky about the year 1810, and settled in Logan county. Here he married. He made a profession of religion in early life, but after the lapse of a few years was led away by false opinions. But his heart was dissatisfied, and in the year 1819 he was persuaded by an old family servant, Uncle Henry, to seek religion. He was converted when alone in the woods. He never doubted his conversion. In the same hour he received the impression that it was his duty to preach. He was licensed to preach August 24, 1822, by Charles Holliday. His credentials of ordination to deacon's and elder's orders bear dates respectively: December 29, 1827, signed by William McKendree; and November 9, 1834, signed by James O. Andrew. In the fall of 1826 or 1827 he joined the Tennessee Conference, and was appointed to Lebanon Circuit. During the year his health failed, and he located. Having a family to support, he commenced the study of medicine, and obtained a diploma. He continued to practice for thirty years, serving all the time as a local preacher. In 1860 Dr. Duval lost his wife, after a period of long and painful suffering. Feeling that he was alone in the world, he fully committed himself to God's work, and was received on trial into the Texas Conference at Chappell Hill in 1860, and appointed to Hodge's Bend Circuit. The remainder of his active ministry was spent in the following fields of labor: Seguin Circuit, one year; San Marcos Circuit, two years, Montgomery, one year; Moulton Circuit, Goliad, and Prairie Point, each one year. His health would not permit him to take regular work after 1868. He died at the residence of his son-in-law, Capt. Ben. E. McCulloch, Seguin, Texas, July 22, 1877. He died as he lived—full of faith and the Holy Ghost.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### San Antonio District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Antonio Station.....	97	.....	.....
San Antonio City Mission .....	60	.....	1
Cibolo Circuit.....	38	.....	.....
Floresville Circuit.....	168	.....	.....
Medina Circuit.....	214	.....	3
Uvalde Circuit.....	60	.....	.....
Sabinal Circuit.....	87	.....	.....
Kerrville Circuit.....	191	.....	.....
Bandera Mission .....	62	.....	2
	977	.....	6

#### San Marcos District.

San Marcos Station.....	283	.....	3
San Marcos Circuit.....	261	.....	1
Lockhart Circuit.....	281	.....	.....

#### San Marcos District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Seguin Station.....	182	17	1
Gonzales Circuit.....	157	.....	.....
Blanco Circuit.....	201	.....	1
Mountain City Circuit.....	164	.....	1
Thompsonville Circuit.....	237	.....	2
Pedernales Mission.....	79	1	1
Menard Mission.....	23	.....	.....
	1868	18	10

#### Victoria District.

Victoria Station.....	48	.....	.....
Leesville Circuit.....	211	.....	1
Sandies Mission.....	45	.....	.....
Clinton Circuit.....	176	.....	.....
Concrete Circuit.....	113	.....	.....
Hallettsville Circuit.....	262	.....	2
Boxville Circuit.....	222	.....	.....
Texana Circuit.....	107	.....	2
Moulton Circuit.....	190	.....	2
	1374	.....	7

#### Corpus Christi District.

Corpus Christi Station.....	93	.....	.....
Rockport Circuit.....	129	.....	1
Lagarto Circuit.....	29	.....	.....
Oakville and Beeville Circuit.....	162	1	1
Helena Circuit.....	110	.....	.....
St. Mary's Mission.....	54	.....	1
Goliad Circuit.....	156	.....	.....
Rancho Circuit.....	258	.....	.....
	991	1	4

#### Mexican Mission District.

Corpus Christi Mission.....	52	1	.....
San Diego and Precenas Mission.....	153	.....	.....
Concepcion Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
San Antonio City Mission .....	85	.....	1
Rio Grande City and Roma.....	20	.....	.....
Laredo Mission.....	9	.....	.....
Lodi and Graytown Mission.....	60	.....	.....
San Antonio River Mission.....	21	.....	.....
Hidalgo Mission.....	32	.....	.....
Eagle Pass Mission .....	.....	.....	.....
Brownsville Mission .....	.....	.....	.....
	432	1	1

#### Recapitulation.

San Antonio District.....	977	.....	6
San Marcos ".....	1868	18	10
Victoria ".....	1374	.....	7
Corpus Christi ".....	991	1	4
Mexican Mission ".....	432	1	1
Total this year .....	5642	20	28
Total last year.....	5440	19	64
Increase .....	202	1	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	36

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 465.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 498.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 59.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 317.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 2,005.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$800.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$562.40. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$563.37; Domestic Missions, \$667. Total, \$1,230.37.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? San Marcos, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.

*James G. Walker, P. E.*

San Antonio, Homer S. Thrall.  
San Antonio City Mission, James S. Woolls.  
Floresville Circuit, A. G. Nolen.  
Elm Creek Mission, E. G. Duval.  
Leesville Circuit, F. H. Holbrook.  
Medina Circuit, J. B. Dibrell.  
Rancho Circuit, F. Y. Seale.  
Seguin, W. J. Joyce.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT.

*O. A. Fisher, P. E.*

San Marcos, J. S. Gillett.  
San Marcos Circuit, J. B. Denton.  
Mountain City Circuit, J. W. Vest.  
Lockhart, B. Harris.  
Thompsonville, J. W. Brown.  
Gonzales, W. H. H. Biggs.  
Blanco and Perdinales, J. C. C. Black, L. M. Barnes.

VICTORIA DISTRICT.

*A. A. Killough, P. E.*

Victoria Circuit, F. T. Barnes.  
Sandies Mission, J. J. Honeycutt.  
Clinton Circuit, J. W. DeVilbiss.  
Boxville Circuit, N. W. Keith.  
Texana Circuit, J. F. Denton.  
Hallettsville Circuit, W. G. Coker.  
Moulton Circuit, A. F. Cox.

Concrete Circuit, J. F. Cook.  
Lavaca River Mission, W. H. Killough.

CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT.

*R. H. Belvin, P. E.*

Corpus Christi, C. M. Rogers.  
Rockport Circuit, M. A. Black.  
Lagarto Circuit, J. E. Vernor.  
Oakville Mission, L. W. Harrison.  
Beeville Circuit, T. S. Garrett.  
Helena Circuit, H. G. Horton.  
St. Mary's Mission, C. R. Shapard.  
Goliad Circuit, T. G. Woolls.

UVALDE DISTRICT.

*W. T. Thornberry, P. E.*

Kerrville Circuit, J. Kingsbury.  
Uvalde Circuit, A. J. Potter.  
Frio City Circuit, W. Monk.  
Benton City Circuit, T. J. Thomasson.  
Sabinal Circuit, H. T. Hill.  
Bandera Mission, H. W. South.  
Menardville Mission, to be supplied.  
Brady City Mission, to be supplied.

MEXICAN MISSION DISTRICT.

*A. H. Sutherland, P. E.*

Corpus Christi Mission, J. Tafolla.  
San Diego and Precenas Mission, T. Armindarez.  
San Antonio Mission, J. M. Casanova, C. Martinez.  
Lodi and Medina Mission, C. Rodriguez.  
Rio Grande City Mission, G. Paz.  
Hidalgo Mission, C. A. Vivero.  
Eagle Pass Mission, J. Acosta.  
Assistant Superintendent, Joseph Norwood.

D. M. Stovall and G. C. Stovall transferred to the East Texas Conference.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

HELD AT AUGUSTA, ARK., November 14-19, 1877.

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; JOHN H. DYE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Henry B. McNeill, Matthew M. Smith, Nicholas E. Skinner, Zachariah T. Griffin, Asa S. Blackwood, Isaac T. Morris, John S. Watson, Zachariah W. Lindsey. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? M. F. J. Beasley, S. G. Shaw, W. A. Lindsey, John R. Steel, C. L. Freeman, C. B. Hunton, L. G. Rogers, R. M. McAlister, S. Bayliss. 9.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? William A. Pendergrass. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? A. C. Griffin, J. M. Clark, A. P. Saffold, J. G. Miller, W. H. Paschal, B. S. Rayner. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? A. H. Woodward. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? R. A. Wilson. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Z. T. Bennett, G. M. Hill, J. F. Jernigan, R. D. Moon, Frank Ritter, J. A. Corbett, W. C. Malone, M. B. Umsted, S. L. Cochran. 9.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? J. M. Clark, A. P. Saffold, J. G. Miller, W. H. Paschal. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? J. M. Clark, A. P. Saffold, J. G. Miller, W. P. Paschal. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Thomas G. Welch, James T. Thompson. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Thomas G. Welch, Henry T. Harvey. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Robert A. Coleman. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? D. B. Warren, Jasper Sibert, Harvey P. Shaw. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? J. A. Parker, T. P. Hare, D. J. Hare, W. H. Paschal. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? John Rhyme, Ed. T. Jones. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Burwell Lee. 1.

BURWELL LEE was born in Davidson county, Tennessee, October 20, 1809; and died at his home in Batesville, Ark., May 28, 1877. He was converted in his sixteenth year, and though raised by Baptist parents, he cast his lot with the "people called Methodists." No sooner had he united with the Church than he felt called to preach, and forthwith he commenced, receiving license first to exhort at the hands of Bishop Morris, on the old Red River Circuit, in Kentucky, then in the bounds of the Tennessee Conference. He was licensed to preach by Robert Paine, now senior Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, July 18, 1823. The following fall he was received on trial into the Tennessee Conference, and was discontinued at the end of one year. In the autumn of 1830 he came to Arkansas, and was immediately employed by the presiding elder, and put in charge of two circuits—the White River and the Spring River. In 1831 he obtained a recommendation to the Annual Conference again, but being unable to get to Conference on account of sickness, he had the recommendation withheld. He renewed the application, and joining Conference in 1833, was ordained deacon by Bishop Soule, and sent to Cherokee Mission in company with John Harrell, and served the Indians three years. He was ordained elder by Bishop Roberts in 1834. In 1836 he was appointed presiding elder of the Batesville District, and at the commencement of his term settled in the town of Batesville, which place he called home until the close of his life. At the end of his third year as presiding elder, he obtained a supernumerary relation, but circumstances finally forced him to locate, and in the local ranks he remained until the fall of 1856. His life from

that day to the day of his death is well known to thousands in Arkansas, and it is only necessary to say that he filled all his appointments with zeal and usefulness, and was faithful. Father Lee was for forty-nine years a preacher of the gospel—forty-seven of which were spent in Arkansas. He was among the first who planted the fruitful seed in this Western world, and he lived to see his Church a large and influential body of men and women; and when no longer able to lead the host, his brethren placed him on the superannuated list, and in this relation he closed his life. As a preacher he was plain, practical, pointed, and but few were ever more successful—having received into the Church more than five thousand persons. As a Methodist he was devoted, yielding to no man in his attachment to the doctrines and usages of the Church. His last sickness was long. He lingered two months. His sufferings at times were excruciating, yet he never complained; and if there was any impatience, it was to "depart and be with Christ." He frequently said: "I suffer, but it must be all right." He died in the faith. A multitude followed him to the grave, loving hands committed his body to the earth in the hope of a glorious resurrection. The writer will never forget a remark of the sainted John Mann. In his plain, blunt way, he said: "Burwell Lee! God bless him; he is worth his weight in gold, but he is worn out." And on May 28, 1877, "the weary wheels of life stood still."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of M. C. Morris, whose case was referred to the presiding elder of the Batesville District.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? White Members, 11,839; colored members, 3; local preachers, 143. (No details.)

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 408.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,150.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 141.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 130.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 5,485.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$800.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$780. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$721.10; Domestic Missions, \$555.45. Total, \$1,276.55.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Searcy, Ark.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SEARCY DISTRICT.

*G. A. Dannelly, P. E.*

Searcy Station, John H. Dye, Chaplain to High School.  
Searcy Circuit, Z. T. Bennett.  
El Paso Circuit, M. B. Pearson.  
Mineral Circuit, B. Harris.  
Bayou Merre Circuit, L. D. Webb.  
Beebe Circuit, James M. Talkington.  
Judsonia Circuit, N. H. Skinner.  
Grand Glaize, Thomas Vincent.  
Jacksonport Station, J. M. Clark  
Jacksonport Circuit, C. B. Hunton.  
Newport Station, J. F. Jernigan.  
Pleasant Valley Circuit, D. J. Hare.  
Richwood Mission, to be supplied (by John L. Yang).  
Augusta Station, to be supplied.  
Big Creek, S. D. Evans.  
Alderbrook, M. B. Umstead.

HELENA DISTRICT.

*W. R. Foster, P. E.*

Helena Station, Josephus Anderson.  
Helena Circuit, Thomas A. Craig.  
Forrest City Station, R. G. Brittain.  
Forrest City Circuit, T. J. Settle.  
Prairie Circuit, Frank Ritter.  
De View Circuit, N. B. Fizer.  
Augusta Circuit, George M. Hill.  
Brinkley Circuit, T. H. Howard.  
Clarendon Circuit, Mebane F. J. Beasley.  
Valley Grove Circuit, T. J. Brickell.  
Marvel Circuit, W. A. Lindsey.  
Laconia Circuit, Zachariah W. Lindsey.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

*Ben. F. Hall, P. E.*

Batesville Station, John W. Boswell.  
Batesville Circuit, S. L. Cochran.  
Smithville and Powhattan Station, Henry T. Gregory.  
Smithville Circuit, W. H. Phipps.  
Pocahontas Station, S. G. Shaw.  
Pocahontas Circuit, J. F. Armstrong.

Walnut Hill Circuit, C. L. Freeman.  
La Crosse and Evening Shade Station, E. A. Garrison.  
Philadelphia Circuit, L. G. Rogers.  
Melbourne Circuit, J. C. Carter.  
Evening Shade Circuit, John R. Steel.  
Salem Circuit, A. P. Saffold.  
Bennett's River Circuit, Samuel Baylis.  
Bethesda Circuit, J. J. Alexander.  
Walnut Ridge Circuit, Isaac T. Morris.  
Corning Circuit, to be supplied.  
Batesville District High School, R. A. Wilson.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

*E. M. Baker, P. E.*

Jonesboro Circuit, to be supplied.  
Shiloh Circuit, John S. Watson.  
Harrisburg Circuit, A. H. Woodard.  
Wittsburg Circuit, G. A. Shaeffer.  
Taylor's Creek Circuit, A. Davis.  
L'Anguille Circuit, to be supplied (by T. C. Mauley).  
Greensboro Circuit, A. C. Griffin.  
Gainesville Station, William M. Watson.  
Oak Bluff, R. D. Moon.  
Gainesville Circuit, W. R. Young.  
Black Oak Circuit, R. M. McAlister.  
New Hope Mission, to be supplied.  
Sunday-school Agent, John M. Steel.

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT.

*C. H. Ford, P. E.*

Osceola Circuit, B. S. Rayner.  
Chickasawba Circuit, Z. T. Griffin.  
Frenchman Bayou Circuit, Matthew M. Smith.  
Marion Station, to be supplied (by B. Medlin).  
Marion Circuit, Asa S. Blackwood.  
Hopefield Mission, H. B. McNeil.  
Tyrongee Mission, James G. Miller.  
Walnut Bend Mission, W. C. Malone.

John A. Corbitt transferred to the Memphis Conference.

Edward Orgain transferred to the Western Virginia Conference, and stationed at Parkersburg.

# GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

CONFERENCES.	Trav. Pr. Chh.	Sup'd Pr's	Local P. Chh.	White Members.	Colored Mem'rs.	Indian Mem'rs.	Total Pr's and Mem'rs.	In-crease.	De-crease.	Infants Baptized.	Adults Baptized.	Sunday schools.	S. S. Teachers.	S. S. Scholars.	Collected for Conf. U. S. A.	Collected for Missions.
Alabama.....	123	12	197	29,463	32	.....	29,827	307	.....	1,166	1,297	357	2,148	14,210	\$4,239 12	\$ 5,822 65
Arkansas.....	63	2	177	12,088	10	.....	12,340	252	.....	329	850	113	667	4,473	623 85	1,220 25
Baltimore.....	183	15	109	27,562	.....	.....	27,869	728	.....	1,461	1,225	422	3,973	23,183	4,025 00	7,722 25
Columbia.....	20	1	23	1,212	.....	.....	1,256	74	.....	35	71	11	53	330	52 00	110 55
Denver.....	13	.....	10	628	2	.....	653	101	.....	43	16	8	41	250	39 10	224 25
East Texas.....	51	2	122	11,481	.....	.....	11,656	956	.....	418	920	82	431	3,116	766 60	1,707 05
Florida.....	64	9	124	9,810	14	.....	10,021	535	.....	665	240	133	673	4,174	1,002 96	1,432 33
German Mission.....	26	1	15	7,060	.....	.....	7,132	84	.....	134	9	26	145	835	50 00	933 90
Holston.....	160	10	315	41,142	38	180	41,845	303	.....	1,328	1,808	489	3,001	23,623	1,622 85	4,815 40
Illinois.....	52	2	71	5,824	.....	.....	5,949	.....	335	70	332	81	511	3,998	144 55	316 16
Indian Mission.....	113	1	96	21,419	103	4,442	21,739	201	.....	434	420	40	151	837	1,602 64	100 72
Kentucky.....	73	7	170	16,105	.....	.....	16,355	1,289	.....	258	1,512	185	1,322	9,325	1,602 64	3,390 02
Little Rock.....	21	2	26	1,043	6	.....	1,068	59	.....	631	1,147	211	1,100	8,250	1,234 45	1,699 68
Los Angeles.....	81	9	76	14,923	89	.....	15,178	1,020	.....	59	33	12	92	687	97 45	164 90
Louisiana.....	127	8	203	30,425	33	.....	30,796	632	.....	617	794	119	791	5,237	1,983 00	3,047 80
Louisville.....	132	7	254	30,995	.....	.....	31,388	.....	461	701	1,335	215	1,419	10,748	1,724 20	3,842 91
Memphis.....	103	12	161	21,871	.....	.....	22,147	333	.....	604	2,155	293	1,919	14,071	1,531 15	4,982 45
Mississippi.....	131	10	142	25,880	.....	.....	26,163	1,052	.....	1,011	888	219	1,165	7,552	1,718 75	3,254 35
Missouri.....	122	11	350	32,713	9	.....	33,205	2,659	.....	538	1,783	325	2,009	11,400	2,061 97	7,503 16
North Alabama.....	159	15	234	58,390	433	.....	59,231	2,659	.....	986	1,783	325	1,610	12,905	1,403 00	2,709 55
North Carolina.....	175	26	420	56,590	.....	.....	57,275	1,088	.....	2,339	2,884	665	3,979	30,955	4,212 33	5,946 54
North Georgia.....	119	10	205	27,322	55	.....	27,656	.....	187	1,604	6,033	224	1,954	30,489	5,706 55	7,951 09
North Mississippi.....	87	10	224	19,936	.....	.....	20,257	304	.....	1,544	922	118	970	8,437	2,155 25	3,211 37
North Texas.....	110	9	276	21,908	.....	.....	22,303	2,551	.....	1,250	1,739	131	812	8,063	1,167 10	2,277 40
Pacific.....	52	4	53	4,138	8	.....	4,255	300	.....	193	350	76	483	2,211	606 45	1,077 05
South Carolina.....	155	8	145	43,196	360	.....	43,864	1,809	226	1,994	1,387	322	2,788	19,561	4,190 15	6,841 25
South Georgia.....	116	16	216	29,494	.....	.....	29,842	.....	.....	798	1,341	481	1,856	12,619	3,195 90	6,156 41
St. Louis.....	81	7	121	13,938	15	.....	14,162	410	.....	298	671	87	638	4,291	1,305 00	2,818 18
South-west Missouri.....	54	5	78	9,902	.....	.....	10,639	.....	110	329	521	105	705	3,942	1,558 05	2,965 32
Tennessee.....	193	9	353	44,256	5	.....	44,816	1,431	.....	816	2,571	384	2,879	21,250	2,144 45	7,443 48
Texas.....	59	9	65	7,520	2	.....	7,653	180	.....	474	502	62	467	3,658	1,080 85	1,845 30
Virginia.....	180	17	176	51,862	155	.....	52,390	970	.....	1,329	2,116	612	6,187	35,177	6,635 00	10,689 25
Western.....	24	.....	21	2,609	.....	.....	2,654	38	.....	87	165	31	154	1,250	59 10	493 11
Western Virginia.....	70	2	131	13,223	16	.....	13,442	.....	133	259	511	213	1,387	8,001	493 57	831 63
West Texas.....	57	3	68	5,642	20	.....	5,790	212	.....	465	498	59	317	2,005	564 15	1,230 38
White River.....	64	2	143	11,839	.....	.....	12,048	810	.....	408	1,150	141	730	5,485	780 00	1,276 55
China Mission.....	.....	.....	6	117	.....	.....	123	3	.....	8	20	5	5	116	.....	102 00
Brazilian Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	45	.....	.....	45	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mexican Mission.....	.....	.....	4	15	.....	.....	19	.....	145	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bishops.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	.....	.....
Total in 1877.....	3,439	282	5,634	758,174	1,499	4,622	773,700	22,407	1,598	26,324	41,814	7,947	53,342	363,163	\$62,205 54	\$121,111 75
Total in 1876.....	3,324	274	5,633	738,047	1,301	4,346	752,906	.....	.....	22,887	41,551	7,449	49,808	360,601	63,156 01	113,958 68
Increase.....	115	8	51	20,127	198	276	20,794	.....	.....	3,347	263	498	3,534	2,562	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$50 47	.....

[The transferred preachers are reckoned with the Conferences from which they are transferred. The preachers who were discontinued this year (37), and those who died during the year (40), are not counted. Those who were admitted on trial (234) and those who were re-admitted (39) are counted among the traveling preachers, though some of them are reckoned with the local preachers. The reports of baptisms are imperfect. No missionary money is reported except that reported at the Conference. Nearly all of our colored members have been absorbed by the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America and other Connections.]